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TROUBLE FOR THE MACHINE

Philadelphia Machine Men at Odds and the Anti-Quay Vote Still Grows.

MARTIN IS URGED FOR CONGRESS.

The Results of the Primaries in the Various Counties Show Great Anti-Quay Gains—Fraud Practiced by the Machine in Close Counties.

HOT FIGHT IN FRANKLIN COUNTY

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Harrisburg, March 13.—Despite the prophesies of political friends Mr. Quay is not finding his pathway into the senate an easy journey. His case was held up in the senate again last week by the press of more important matters, and it is probable that it will drag its length along for several weeks to come, unless it comes to a vote this week purely through the regular channels.

The trusts and corporations of the country are still conducting the warfare in favor of Quay against the precedents of the senate and the law of the country. Senators find their mail filled every day with beseeching and threatening letters from men connected with the trusts urging them to vote for the admission of Mr. Quay, because he is recognized as their friend.

The primary elections for the nomination of state senators, members of the legislature and delegates to the state convention were held in a number of counties since my last letter was written. In only one instance was there a weakness in the anti-Quay line shown. Lancaster county went as usual with the machine. Nobody expected it to go any other way, for the anti-Quay people made no fight in the county. In Union county the machine candidate was nominated by the narrow margin of 71 votes, and these are openly charged to have been fraudulent. A wonderful gain was made in Union county, as shown by this result. It is possible that the vote may be contested in the county.

In Lawrence county the Quay candidates escaped by the same narrow majority. Here also open fraud is charged, and a contest which will show up the whole iniquity of the machine work will be instituted.

In Armstrong county, with all its machine patronage, the home of United States District Attorney Heiner, the machine forces were routed and an anti-Quay senator, McNees, and an anti-Quay member of the legislature, Crawford, were chosen. In every county but Mercer and Lancaster, where no fight was made, the anti-Quay voters manfested their strength as they have never done before.

In every county where the machine controls they are using the caucus club to force anti-Quay Republicans out of the field. The machine forgets how often Quay or how frequently his leaders in Philadelphia, like ex-Sheriff Crow, have openly bolted conventions and allied themselves with Democrats. A sample of the so-called "irregular Republicans" can be found in Washington county, where men who have been Republicans all their lives, and are still Republicans, are being denounced as un-Republican because they refuse to follow the leadership of Quay.

DAVID MARTIN FOR CONGRESS.

The death of Congressman Harmer, the "Father of the house," in Philadelphia last week will work many changes in the politics of that city. State Senator David Martin will likely be returned to congress from this district. He can go to congress from the district if he desires, for he controls the district. If he does not go to Washington he will at least name Mr. Harmer's successor. Mayor Ashbridge is in perfect harmony with Senator Martin, and is urging that the Philadelphia anti-Quay leader step into the late Mr. Harmer's seat.

All is not harmony in the Philadelphia Quay camp by any means. Within the past two weeks dissensions have arisen that threaten to wreck the Quay followers. Mr. Kindred, who is the agent of the Philadelphia and Reading railroad, Harbor Master Clemmer and Theodore B. Stulb have had a serious falling out with Insurance Commissioner Durham and Ward Leader James P. McNichol. It is said that the differences are of such a character that they cannot be harmonized, and that a split in the Quay Republican ranks in Philadelphia is inevitable.

Great interest attaches to the legislative fight in Franklin county, where W. C. Kreps, who was chairman of the bribery investigating committee, and one of the most subservient of the machine's following, is a candidate for re-election. A telegram to the Philadelphia Press concerning Kreps' candidacy says:

FIGHT AGAINST KREPS.

"Representative William C. Kreps will pay the penalty of loyalty to the Quay machine and disloyalty to his constituents, which in Franklin county has come to mean the same thing, by being defeated for a renomination at the Republican county convention which meets at Chambersburg on March 20. Not a Republican leader of either faction in the county is for him. He may have 60 votes in the convention if his name is presented. He realizes that there is no hope for his success and is very bitter against those whom he expected to support him.

"The legislative candidates likely to be successful at the primaries, which are to be held next Saturday night are A. Nevin Pomeroy, of Chambersburg, and B. F. Welty, of Waynesboro. In this, his home town, Kreps is being bitterly opposed by ex-District Attorney J. H. Light. Political workers who have gone carefully over the situation say Kreps will be overwhelmingly beaten if he allows his name to go before the delegates."

The increase in the anti-Quay vote over the state, together with the fact that machine leaders are being thrown out and new men have been taken in their place is evidence that the feeling of the Republicans of the state is against Quayism. Among those who have served the machine only to be discarded after they had obeyed its bidding in everything are Senators Meridith of Armstrong, and McCarroll, of Dauphin, and Representative Kreps and half a score of others. Their fate will long serve as an example to others

SHELDON'S CHRISTIAN DAILY.

Prompt Response to the Appeal For India's Starving.

Topeka, March 14.—The leading story on the first page of Rev. Charles M. Sheldon's Christian daily this morning is a brief statement by Managing Editor Chase telling of the prompt response to the appeal made in yesterday morning's paper in behalf of the famine stricken India. The Christian Endeavor World, of Boston, telegraphed Mr. Sheldon urging him to open a fund, but he says he is too busy to attend to the work and suggests that contributions be sent through regular channels.

Governor Stanley writes a column article on the most gratifying feature

HAROLD T. CHASE.
[Managing editor Sheldon edition.]

of his administration, which he says is the progress prison reform has made in the state.

Another feature of the page is an anti-war cartoon, and in this connection General Otis' latest list of casualties in Luzon is run, with comment by Editor Sheldon.

A leading article on the local page is a statement from the Kansas Miller's association protesting against alleged unjust treatment which they receive at the hands of the railroads. On the telegraph page much is made of the war, and Editor Sheldon comments freely on the news.

There is a long special from Grinnell, Ia., telling of the resignation of President Gates, of Iowa college, and giving his reasons therefor.

THE NEW FINANCE BILL.

It Has Passed Both Houses and Only Awaits the President's Signature.

Washington, March 14.—The last legislative step in the enactment of the financial bill was taken by the house of representatives yesterday when the conference report on the bill was adopted by a vote of 166 yeas to 120 nays; present and not voting, 10. The senate had already adopted the conference report, so it remains only for President McKinley to affix his signature to the measure to make it a law. Representative Overstreet, the author of the bill, will take it to the White House today, and the signature is likely to be affixed soon thereafter. Already arrangements have been made for securing the pen with which the president will sign the bill. The debate on the report continued throughout yesterday, Mr. Overstreet (Ind.) opening and Mr. Brosius (Pa.) closing in support of the measure, while Mr. Little (Ark.) closed in opposition, with a severe arraignment of the bill. The vote was on party lines, except that nine Democrats joined with the Republicans in supporting the conference report.

Illinois Flood Victims.

Ottawa, Ills., March 14.—Many factories in towns and cities of the Upper Illinois valley are idle on account of the almost unprecedented floods. Much damage was done in that section, by ice, to industrial plants and private property. The water is 21 feet above the normal stage. Forty families have been driven from their homes here. Great apprehension is felt at Marseilles for its dam. Hundreds of men are idle as the result of the floods.

College President Resigns.

Grinnell, Ia., March 14.—George A. Gates has tendered his resignation as president of the Iowa college, to take effect next November. This step is taken on account of Mrs. Gates' illness. The resignation was accepted and a committee appointed to secure a successor.

FREE STATE CAPITAL

Lord Roberts Will Probably Capture Bloemfontein Today

SALISBURY'S REPLY TO BOERS.

It Refuses to Assent to the Independence of the Republics—The Boers, Retiring From Orange River, Will Be Between Two British Armies.

THE WAR STILL RAGING.

London, March 14.—Nothing can be said of the advance on Bloemfontein beyond Lord Roberts' own dispatches. Nothing more has been permitted to come through. Doubtless Lord Roberts himself is fully occupied with important military operations. A dispatch from Cape Town saying that General French has "arrived at Bloemfontein" probably does not mean that he has entered the city.

Lord Roberts' main dispatch was as follows:

"I directed General French, if there were time before dark, to seize the railway station at Bloemfontein and thus secure the rolling stock. At midnight I received a report from him that, after considerable opposition, he had been able to occupy two hills close to the railway station, which commanded Bloemfontein. A brother of President Steyn has been made a prisoner."

Lord Roberts' message may mean either that the Boers have cut the railway to the north or that the British cavalry have done so. If the former, then it may be assumed that no rolling stock has been seized, but by general assumption the latter interpretation is regarded as correct. This would greatly facilitate obtaining supplies from Orange River, an important matter, as Lord Roberts' line of communication with Modder Bridge is now 110 miles long.

The Boers may make another fight, but there is little doubt that Lord Roberts will occupy Bloemfontein today. The Boers, retiring from Orange River, will find themselves between two British armies, and their guns are almost bound to fall into the hands of the British, while the occupation of the capital of the Free State will strain the alliance of the two republics to the utmost.

The government will not allow the Kruger-Steyn appeal to influence in any way their determination not to spare any efforts to prosecute the war. There will be no diminution of measures calculated to maintain the full efficiency of the field force, and whatever reinforcements were previously considered advisable will still be sent out.

Lord Salisbury's reply was brief and pointed. The last sentence is as follows:

"Her majesty's government can only answer your honors' telegram by saying it is not prepared to assent to the independence of either the South African republic or the Orange Free-State."

Lord Salisbury's reply meets with unanimous approval among conservatives, and it is the universal opinion that the Boers, by their extravagant claims and canting tone, meant to influence foreign powers, have again over reached themselves, as they did by the ultimatum.

To Consolidate Railroads.

Philadelphia, March 14.—A proposition for merging and consolidating the North and West Branch Railway company, the Pennsylvania Schuylkill Valley Railroad company, the Sunbury, Hazleton and Wilkesbarre Railroad company, the Sunbury and Lewistown Railway company and the Nescopec Railroad company into one corporation has been under consideration for some time. All these companies are subsidiary lines of the Pennsylvania Railroad company, and each one has a distinct set of officers. These lines are in the coal regions except the Pennsylvania Schuylkill Valley, which extends to this city as well as to the anthracite coal mines.

The Mother Methodist Conference.

Philadelphia, March 14.—The 113th session of the Philadelphia conference of the Methodist Episcopal church began today in the Arch Street M. E. church. This is the mother conference of the 17 branches of the Methodism of this country, and contains 395 churches in the 14 counties in southeastern Pennsylvania. Bishop Charles H. Fowler, of Buffalo, N. Y., presides. The churches of the conference have a membership of 68,096; probationers, 4,569; local preachers, 343; Sunday schools, 402, with 10,177 officers and teachers and 89,549 scholars.

Allegheny's Pugilistic Mayor.

Pittsburg, March 14.—The present political fight in Allegheny city between the Wyman adherents and those who have followed the standard of McAfee and Murphy and others who are in power in city hall, but opposed to the rule and managership of Mayor Wyman, resulted in a personal encounter yesterday between Mayor Wyman and James Thornton, captain of police. Mayor Wyman received a bad cut behind the left ear, which bled profusely, but there were no marks on Captain Thornton. Neither would make any statement.

Declines Gubernatorial Nomination.

Indianapolis, March 14.—Mayor Thomas Taggart, in a letter addressed to the Democracy of the state, positively declines to be a candidate for the Democratic nomination for governor. His nomination has been conceded by all. Mayor Taggart's name has been mentioned in connection with the national chairmanship, but he has not announced his candidacy for the place. The only reason given for the declination is his intention to serve his term out as mayor. He was re-elected for two years last fall.

Bank Defeats State at Law.

Omaha, March 14.—The Omaha National bank won its case yesterday in the action brought by the state to recover $201,000, the amount of a warrant sold through the bank by ex-Treasurer Bartley, which was held not to have been negotiable, the proceeds of which he embezzled. The case was tried before in the district court and a verdict rendered in favor of the bank.

Last Peruvian Rebel Leader Killed.

Lima, Peru, March 14.—In a sharp fight between the government troops and the revolutionists near Moyobamba on Feb. 26 Colonel Viscarra, the last of the insurgent leaders to hold out, was killed. The whole of Peru is now tranquil.

NUGGETS OF NEWS.

The national senate confirmed Adam C. Reinoehl as postmaster at Lancaster, Pa.

Secretary Root visited Matanzas on Monday, returning to Havana in the evening.

A meeting of trainmens' delegates at Phillipsburg, N. J., threatens a strike on the Jersey Central railroad.

An order has been received by a Cincinnati concern by cable from an English firm for nearly 500,000 flags.

General Otis has appointed General Kobbe military governor of Albay, Luzon, Cataduanes, Samar and Leyte.

NEW JERSEY ELECTIONS.

Returns Thus Far Received Show Republican Successes.

Trenton, March 14.—Yesterday was township election day in New Jersey. In but few of the cities were charter elections held. In many townships there was but one ticket placed in nomination, union nominations being made. In Mercer county the Republicans carried all of the townships. There were no freeholders to be selected. In Heightstown, where the contest is always between license and no license, the Democrats ran a third ticket and Richard D. Norton, a prominent Silver Democrat, was elected mayor. The no-license people captured two of the six councilmen, the Democrats two and the license two.

In the election for city councilmen in Camden the Republicans carried all of the 12 wards of the city except one by slightly reduced majorities.

Millville's election resulted as follows: City treasurer, E. H. Stokes (Rep.); city solicitor, Lewis H. Miller (Rep.). The Republicans also elected all four councilmen and members of the board of education.

In Rutherford and in East Rutherford the Republicans won, and indications point to the election of the entire Republican ticket in and about Asbury Park. The Democrats gained a victory at South Orange and at Freehold, N. J., there being no opposition to the Democratic ticket in either place. The Republicans elected their candidate in Union township, while the Democrats elected their candidate in Ocean township, of which Long Branch is a part. The borough election in North Plainfield resulted in a Republican victory.

THE HOLOCAUST IN NEWARK.

Two More Bodies Recovered and Six Others Still Missing.

Newark, N. J., March 14.—Two more bodies were recovered yesterday from the ruins of the Italian tenement which was burned Monday morning. The list of dead numbers 16, and five other supposed victims have not yet been accounted for. The bodies discovered yesterday were those of Lucila Casillo, 2 years old, and one unidentified child about the same age. Those still missing are: Carmino Rosso, wife of Angelo Rosso, who was killed by jumping from the third story window; Palma Villa, 27 years old; Baptista Villa, 35 years old, husband of Palma; Salbatore Carroso, 30 years old, a boarder; a 6-year-old girl, name unknown, who was boarding with one of the families; an unknown young man who boarded with one of the families.

The finding of the bodies yesterday was a surprise, as the firemen had boarded up the ruins, believing they had out all the bodies, and only went back for another search upon the persistent pleas of the Italians of the neighborhood.

Vito Cretonzo, the Italian who was arrested on supicion of having set fire to the house, was arraigned in court yesterday on suspicion of arson and remanded until today for further hearing.

Allen and Butler Still Silverites.

Washington, March 14.—Personal explanations were made yesterday in the senate by Mr. Allen (Neb.) and Mr. Butler (N. C.) of their positions on the financial question. Both announced their belief in the free and unlimited coinage of silver at the ratio of 16 to 1. The statements were called out by reports to the contrary which had gained some circulation

A TRUCE IN KENTUCKY

Taylor Retains the Governorship Pending a Court Decision.

WILL ABIDE BY THAT DECISION.

Republicans Will Make an Effort, However, to Carry the Case to the Federal Courts Should the State Court Decide Against Them.

THE WORST THOUGHT TO BE OVER

Frankfort, Ky., March 14.—The legislature of Kentucky adjourned sine die late yesterday afternoon after one of the most remarkable sessions in the history of the state. A conference between the rival adjutant generals, Collier and Castleman, resulted in a perfect understanding being reached. Republican Governor Taylor will continue to act as governor. Democratic Governor Beckham will make no move toward securing possession of the state buildings until after the court of appeals has decided the disputed governorship. The legislature appropriated $100,000 for the use of Beckham in reorganizing the state militia. This in brief is the situation in Kentucky politics.

Among the more conservative element in each party the opinion prevails that the worst is over and that when the court of appeals renders its decision the danger of civil war in the commonwealth, which has been terribly imminent, will entirely have passed away. To the Democratic leaders, with a full understanding of the situation, only one cloud appears on the present horizon, that is Taylor's future course.

Taylor himself will not outline his plan of action beyond the statement that he would continue to act as governor. Republicans in Taylor's confidence, however, say that he will remain at Frankfort in the discharge of his duties until the court of last resort passes upon the question at issue. Then, if the decision be against him, he will step out at once, and turn over the state buildings to Beckham. The Republicans will make every effort to carry the dispute into the federal courts in case the decision of the court of appeals, the supreme court of Kentucky, is against them, but failing in this they will consider the question settled, though still believing a great wrong has been done them.

The Democratic leaders assert that they will cheerfully abide by the decision of the court of appeals. But should the decision be in their favor they will insist on the occupancy of the state buildings, "peaceably if possible, but forcibly if necessary," as it was expressed today. Not until that decision is rendered will further action be taken. By this the Republicans understand that no further arrests will be attempted and no prosecutions made of the state officers or of the state militia serving under Taylor.

In spite of the fact that there was the usual disorder attendant on the closing day of the legislative session, especially in the house, considerable important legislation was accomplished, including the passage of the Triplett resolution appropriating $100,000 to enable Beckham to "reorganize the militia, extend the organization and recover the munitions of war of the state." The debate on the bill in the house naturally took a strong partisan tinge, but it finally went through amid wild cheering by a vote of 53 to 13, most of the Republicans refusing to vote. It was explained by the Democratic leaders on the floor that the fund will not be used until after the decision of the court of appeals. The bill is regarded as a "war fund" by the Democrats. A bill appropriating $5,000 for the Covington library, the only bill introduced in the legislature by Senator Goebel, also passed with a hurrah. Republicans and Democrats joined in support of the measure.

In the senate the bitter feeling existing between the Goebel and anti-Goebel Democrats was shown when Senator Carter, president of the senate, announced that he would certify to the absence from most of the sessions since Jan. 30, the date of Goebel's assassination, of four anti-Goebel senators, thus preventing them from drawing their per diem during that time. "There is some excuse for the Republican senators not attending the sessions," said Senator Carter. "They were obeying the dictates of their party, but for these other gentlemen there is no excuse."

The Alleged Goebel Conspirators.

Louisville, March 14.—The four prisoners, Secretary of State Powers, Captain Davis, Harlan Whittaker and W. H. Culton, accused of being accessories in the assassination of William Goebel, are still confined in jail here. It is expected habeas corpus proceedings in their behalf will be begun in a few days. M. L. Hazelipp, who was arrested Monday, was taken to Frankfort yesterday.

Another Arrest in Goebel Case.

Frankfort, Ky., March 14.—Gabriel A. Taul, of Hardinsburg, was brought to Frankfort last night in the custody of the sheriff of Breckenridge county. He was arrested for supposed complicity in the assassination of Governor Goebel. Taul was not in Frankfort at the time of the shooting, and it is said that his connection with the crime is only indirect.

Puerto Ricans' Modest Demands.

San Juan, Puerto Rico, March 14.—Another strike began Monday among the workmen on the military road, in the Arecibo division. Hitherto the men have been paid 40 cents a day, and they want 50. Six hundred left work, but thus far they have been orderly, and they are not organized. The contractors declare that they will make no concessions, as there are plenty of workmen available to fill the places of the strikers.

Voluntary Advance in Wages.

Knoxville, Tenn., March 14.—The Knox Iron company has announced an increase of 10 per cent in wages of all day men and of 50 cents per ton for all puddlers. This increase affects about 500 men employed in rolling mills in this city and in Harriman, and was unsolicited by the men.

RAIDING NEW YORK DIVES.

Only the Managers Arrested and the Women Driven Out.

New York, March 14.—At 9 o'clock last night orders went over the wire from police headquarters to the Thirtieth street police station, and a few minutes later Captain Thomas, of that precinct, ordered out all his available detectives on a secret mission. They returned in pairs, and each pair had a prisoner. The first prisoner to arrive was Charles Ackron. He is the manager of the Tivoli, on West Thirty-fifth street, and he has been arrested before on the charge of having a concert in his place without a music hall license. He is now charged with violating section 322 of the penal code, which forbids the keeping of a disorderly house or a refuge for dissolute women. In quick succession seven others were brought in, all on the same charge. They were not under lock and key for any length of time, however, for security in the amount of $500 each was furnished.

The arrests caused much excitement. As fast as the detectives went to one of the places they searched the man out they wanted and drove every woman found in the resorts into the streets. The men in the resorts were not disturbed. There were hundreds of women in these concert halls, and they made a considerable commotion after they had all appeared on Sixth avenue and Broadway. Big crowds gathered when it became known that the police were raiding the Tenderloin and upper Broadway was in a state of excitement until long after midnight.

At midnight the police raided a gambling place at 1487 Broadway. They arrested 16 men and marched them prisoners down Broadway, followed by hundreds of people from the theaters.

CENTRAL PENNSYLANIA MINERS.

President's Report Shows a Gratifying Increase in Wages.

Altoona, Pa., March 14.—Representatives of all the miners in District No. 2, of the United Mine Workers, assembled in annual convention here yesterday. Over 100 delegates are present. President W. B. Wilson, of Blossburg, presided. In President Wilson's report he discussed the affairs of the district, setting forth that as strikes took up a considerable portion of his time they prevented organization, but there had been a healthy growth nevertheless. He was pleased to announce that miners were getting from 5 to 20 cents better wages per ton than last year, and this means $1,250,000 to the miners, when it is known that 25,000,000 tons of coal were mined in this district last year.

Secretary-Treasurer Richard Gilbert, of South Fork, in his report urged an eight hour day. He reported the organization of 55 local unions during the year, nine of which were transferred to another district. At present there are 46 local unions, with 5,000 members, and nine new unions to hear from. The strike fund amounted to $6,201.07, and all this sum, save nine cents, was paid out.

The election of officers resulted as follows: President, W. B. Wilson, Blossburg; vice president, Bernard Rice, Dubois; secretary-treasurer, Richard Gilbert, South Fork; executive board, Patrick Gilday of Morrisdale, Richard Rinn of Spangler, George Nicholson of Barnesboro, William Broad of Glen Campbell, John Reece of Arnot and George Bassett of South Fork.

The joint conference with Maryland miners to discuss the wage question is being held today.

Negro Convict Killed by a Guard.

Columbia, S. C., March 14.—Yesterday five convicts on a penitentiary farm near this city attacked Abe Harling, a guard. They got his Winchester, but did not know how to operate it, and fought him with hoes. He succeeded in drawing his pistol after a desperate fight, and killed Tom Houghton, a negro desperado, and wounded another. Two surrendered and the fifth escaped.

Murder Over Cards in Jury Room.

Columbus, Ga., March 14.—News was received here from Andalusia, Ala., of the killing of Thomas Sharp by Will Craddock in the jury room of the court house at that place. The men quarreled over a game of cards. It is said the jury room has been used for gambling constantly, a game going on there almost every night.

Additional Locals.

—The capital invested in farming in this country is estimated at $16,000,000,000.

—Seven counties in Western New York received nearly $5,000,000 for their apple crop last year.

—The soldiers monument contributions of 187 schools have been received amounting to the sum of $313.78.

—Congressman Terry of Ark, who is serving his fifth term in the House, has been defeated for renomination.

—It is a mistake to suppose that women are afraid to tell their ages. What they are afraid of is that somebody will tell first.

—The man with sharp wits gets through life easily; but the dullard is sometimes equally successful just boring his way through.

—The people of Kentucky, it is said, are preparing to present a loving cup to Prof. Atwater, who declared that alcohol was food—and proved it, too.

—A girl may know all about classical literature, and even higher mathematics, but when she tackles a cook book she generally gets things mixed.

—It is too bad. In addition to all her other troubles, Queen Victoria has been notified that the Shah of Persia is coming to visit her with 3000 attendants.

—The ladies of the Methodist church announces that they will produce the play "The Spinsters Convention" in the very near future in their church.

—The Manila (P. I.) Times states that the attendance of children at the Manila schools was 4,849 for the month of November last, a gain of 32 girls and 31 boys as compared with the previous month.

—English insurance societies are badly divided over the question of war risks. Some refuse to have the volunteers at any price, while others think the men as safe in South Africa as at home catching influenza.

—The coal fields in Pennsylvania are nearly all taken up. Coal land in the Connellsville district is selling for about $1,000 an acre. The iron, steel and coal men are turning to the West Virginia fields.

—Bartlett & May in "A Woman in the Case" amused a large audience at the Opera house Thursday evening. The play was uproariously funny and the company throughout very good. The specialties were very clever, Bartlett and May especially making a hit.

—She was trying to talk to her fiance, and she had never used a telephone before. "Ring off!" came a voice over the wire. "Oh, Charlie!" she cried; "yes, I did forget and leave my ring off this morning. Can you really see my hand? Isn't it wonderful?"

—Dawson advices say that little will be left of the Klondike metropolis after the home rush in May and June. Merchants are closing out their places of business, and instead of every building being crowded, "To let" signs are frequently seen. Business is dying, and most of the dealers are going to Nome.

—The merchant who wants to do business must not hide his light under a bushel, he must make himself known and he must ask for the custom he desires. This cannot be done verbally. He must, therefore, advertise; and he must give as much thought and attention to his trade announcements as to any other matters pertaining to the proper conduct of his business.

—There is considerable said in the daily press about "railroading" applications for patents, and there are patent attorneys who advocate this practice, but the Commissioner of Patents in an interview, has said: "The shortest period in which a patent can be secured is seven weeks, and it can be done in that time only by the attorney of the claimant conceding practically all the objections of this office."

—Eugene L. Packer, who was held under $4.000 bail on two indictments for misdemeanor in New York on Tuesday was born in Howard this county. He is a son of the late John P. Packer and a nephew of Ex-Governor Wm. F. Packer. Eugene was mixed up with Alfred R. Goslin, the "blind pool" speculator and others in circulating false reports that caused a great depression in the stock of the Brooklyn Rapid Transit Company.

—The bishops of the Methodist church have in a general proclamation called attention to the fact that the membership for the first time in the history of the church shows a falling off from the figures of the previous year and appeal to the members to set apart the week from March 25 to April 1 inclusive, as a season of fasting, or abstinence and prayer and self-examination, that the spiritual life of members may be renewed and strengthened, that unsaved members of their families and their neighbors may be converted.

Hail Death With Joy.

"I was a great sufferer from Heart Disease. The disease was so great I was confined to bed for days. I often thought I could hail death with joy. No physician could give me relief. I procured a bottle of Dr. Agnew's Cure for the Heart, the first dose gave me almost instant relief. I have taken four bottles. I never felt better in my life."—Mrs. Margaret Smith, Brussels, Ont.—91.

For sale by G. Potts Green.

You may run away from hydrophobia, because you can see it coming in the frothing tongue and the snapping jaws of the mad dog. But the diseases which carry off the greater part of mankind there's no running away from. They are stealthy, insidious, and come as a thief in the night.

Six per cent. of the daily deaths are due to consumption. The name of the disease suggests the horror of emaciation, the labored breathing, the hectic color, the night-sweats which mark the struggles of the daily weakening victim.

To those with weak lungs, obstinate, lingering cough, bronchitis, and kindred ailments which, if neglected, lead on to consumption, Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery brings hope, help and healing. Its cures have been many and marvelous. Thousands who had lost hope, have found a permanent cure in "Golden Medical Discovery."

"Last spring I wrote you in regard to my health which at that time was very poor," writes Mrs. Mettie M. Barnes, of Garfield, Pawnee Co, Kansas. "My trouble was bronchial affection. Symptoms: spitting of blood almost every morning for five years, shortness of breath, raw and sore throat, loss of trength, at times almost loss of voice, irregular periods—In fact I thought I was surely going into consumption. I consulted you and you advised me to give Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery a trial, which I did, and with happy results. I used two bottles of 'Golden Medical Discovery' and health returned as I used the medicine. I have only raised blood three times since I began using it. My periods are regular, strength returned, and I am almost a new person. I know of a lady that was cured of consumption by this same 'Golden Medical Discovery,' and she always sings its praise."

Some dealers may offer you a "just as good" medicine in place of Dr. Pierce's, because there's more profit in the sale of the substitute. If any dealer thinks more of his profit than of your patronage, he's not entitled to your trade.

MATTHEW F. RIDDLE.

The Republican Member of the Board of County Commissioners Has Passed Away.

Matthew F. Riddle, who on last November was elected by the people of Centre County to a second term as county commissioner, passed away at quarter of two o'clock last Thursday morning at his home in Pleasant Gap. Several weeks ago he caught cold which developed into bronchitis and this together with chronic heart trouble is given as the cause of death.

Matthew F. Riddle was born at Pleasant Gap, Spring township, December 30, 1845 and was aged 54 years 2 months and 8 days at time of death. All his life he resided within a half a mile of the place of his birth, with the exception of the years he gave to the service of his country in the dark days of the rebellion. In 1863 he enlisted as a member of Co. A, 45th P. V. I., and served to the end of the war—being mustered out as sergeant. He participated in all the battles in which his regiment was engaged from the time it crossed the Rapidan until it marched in grand review in the city of Washington at the close of the war.

Upon his return from the war he resumed his occupation as farmer near his old home at Pleasant Gap. Mr. Riddle was a well educated man the finishing touches to his thorough common school tution he received at the Dickinson seminary at Williamsport. He acceptably filled various offices of trust and importance in township affairs and for fifteen years served as assessor for Spring township. In 1896 he was elected county commissioner and again re-elected in 1899.

The board of county commissioners met Thursday morning and out of respect to their late associate adjourned until Monday morning. The successor to Mr. Riddle will be appointed by the court.

Deceased is survived by his wife, Mrs. Annie Riddle and the following children: Arthur T. George M. Marion and Ralph, all at home. One brother Frank Riddle, of Kansas City also survives.

Banker Routs a Robber.

J. R. Garrison, cashier of the bank of Thornville, Ohio, has been robbed of health by a serious lung trouble until he tried Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption. Then he wrote: "It is the best medicine I ever used for a severe cold or a bad case of lung trouble. I always keep a bottle on hand." Don't suffer with coughs, colds, or any throat, chest or lung trouble when you can be cured so easily. Only 50c and $1.00. Trial bottles ree at F. Potts Green's drug store.

For a Methodist Convention.

A meeting of representatives of the various preachers' meetings of Methodist churches of Pennsylvania was held in Harrisburg Tuesday at which it was decided to hold a Methodist convention in Harrisburg next October beginning on the 22nd and continuing four days. Bishop Cyrus D. Foss, of Philadelphia, presided and delegates were present from Philadelphia, Pittsburg, Lancaster, Altoona and Wilkesbarre.

What Do Children Drink.

Don't give them tea or coffee. Have you tried the new food drink called GRAIN-O? It is delicious and nourishing and takes the place of coffee. The more Grain-O you give the children the more health you distribute through their system. GrainO is made of pure grains, and properly prepared tastes like the choice grades of coffee but costs about ¼ as much. All grocers sell it. 15c. and 25c.

—Chicago school teachers have had their salaries reduced and are instituting a movement to compel tax payers to pay their just tax.

Williamsport's Famous Murder Trial.

The case of William H. Hummel, the rag peddler, charged with the murder of his wife and her three children, at their home near Montgomery last November, was called for trial at Williamsport Wednesday. It is alleged that Hummel killed the four by striking each in the head with a pole axe. The case has attracted a big crowd, and the court, fearing interruption, issued instructions to lock the doors of the court room after the convening of court. People anxious to gain admittance were on hand at 5 o'clock in the morning, four hours before the opening of the doors.

The day was spent in getting a jury and the opening of the case by the commonwealth. Thirty-seven jurors were called before the jury was sworn in. Hummel was arraigned on one count only—that of killing his wife.

W. C. Gilmore, assistant to the district attorney, in opening for the commonwealth brought out a new fact. Hummel has always claimed that on the night of the murder a peddler whom he called Harry Smith called and got his wife and children, alleging that Mrs. Hummel was to nurse Mrs. Smith through a sickness. This alleged Smith has been found in the person of a man named Lipstein, a Polish Jew, whose home is in Williamsport.

A sensation was caused when Mr. Gilmore stated that after his incarceration, Hummel began to make a statement, telling piecemeal how Mrs. Hummel and her children were killed and how, greatly agitated, he revealed where the body of Baby Delaney was buried face downward. The defense had no previous intimation that Hummel had made such a statement.

Five witnesses were heard before adjournment, the most important being that of Constable William E. Myers, of Montgomery, who headed the party which found the bodies of Mrs. Hummel and Johnny and Frances Delaney buried in a straw stack, and Dr. C. E. Heller, who conducted the post mortem. The latter exhibited a ghastly relic of the tragedy in the shape of the dead woman's skull. Hummel showed much interest in this, leaning forward, stretching his neck from side to side to get a view of it.

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LUCAS COUNTY, }

FRANK J. CHENEY makes oath that he is the senior partner of the firm of F. J. CHENEY & Co., doing business in the City of Toledo, County and State aforesaid, and that said firm will pay the sum of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS for each and every case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by the use of HALL'S CATARRH CURE.

FRANK J. CHENEY.

Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence, this 6th day of December, A. D. 1886.

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Notary Public.

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A Lock Haven Man Prospecting

Councilman Sidney Clark of Lock Haven is at the head of a project for drilling a test well for gas and oil near that city, he has the enterprise fairly started and expects to succeed in obtaining money enough in a short time to begin operations. Mr. Clark's plan is to sell stock at ten dollars per share. As soon as $2,000 is subscribed, the stockholders will meet and elect officers and decide upon the location of the well, which will be some place within a mile of Lock Haven. A number of persons have already subscribed for stock, and Mr. Clark is confident that enough enterprising citizens can be found to put up the money at $10 per share to make the test. If natural gas should be found Lock Haven would begin to put on airs.

A Ladys Perfect Companion.

Painless Childbirth, our new book, tells how any woman may become a mother without suffering any pain whatever. Also, how to treat and overcome morning sickness, swelled limbs and other evils attending pregnancy. It is reliable and highly endorsed by physicians as the wife's true private companion. Send two-cent stamp for descriptive circulars and confidential letter sent in sealed envelope. Address FRANK THOMAS & Co., Publishers, Baltimore, Md.
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Clearfield Capitalists.

The Indiana Gazette of last week in speaking of coal development in that county says: "The coal deals negotiated early last fall are rapidly being closed out. Last week Bigler & Co., of Clearfield, filed thirty-eight deeds in the register's office for registration. The deeds call for coal lands in Pine township, aggregating about 2,000 acres. The average price paid was about $45 per acre. In all over $85,000 were paid for the thirty-eight tracts."

Years of Vile Catarrh.

Chas. O. Brown, journalist, of Duluth, Minn., writes: "I have been a sufferer from Throat and Nasal Catarrh for over 20 years, during which time my head has been stopped up and my condition truely miserable. Within 15 minutes after using Dr. Agnew's Catarhal Powder I obtained relief. Three bottles have almost, if not entirely, cured me."—92.

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Fine Figure

Many women lose their girlish forms after they become mothers. This is due to neglect. The figure can be preserved beyond question if the expectant mother will constantly use

Mother's Friend

during the whole period of pregnancy. The earlier its use is begun, the more perfectly will the shape be preserved.

Mother's Friend not only softens and relaxes the muscles during the great strain before birth, but helps the skin to contract naturally afterward. It keeps unsightly wrinkles away, and the muscles underneath retain their pliability.

Mother's Friend is that famous external liniment which banishes morning sickness and nervousness during pregnancy; shortens labor and makes it nearly painless; builds up the patient's constitutional strength, so that she emerges from the ordeal without danger. The little one, too, shows the effects of **Mother's Friend** by its robustness and vigor.

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ATLANTA, GA.

State's Base Ball Schedule.

Manager Bassler, of The Pennsylvania State College base ball team, has announced the following schedule of games for the spring season:

April 14th—Susquehanna University at State.
" 17th—Bucknell at Lewisburg.
" 18th—Dickinson at Carlisle.
" 19th—Mt. St. Mary's at Mt. St. Mary's
" 20th—Penns. College at Gettysburg.
" 21st—P. R. R. Y. M. C. A. at Phila.
" 28th—Penna. College at State.
May 4th—Dickinson at State.
" 12th—Franklin and Marshall at State.
" 16th—University of Maryland at State.
" 23rd—Princeton at Princeton.
" 24th—P. M. A. at Chester.
" 25th—Loyola club at Philadelphia.
" 26th—Lafayette at Easton.
June 9th—Bucknell at State.
" 13th—Carlisle Indians at State.

He Fooled the Surgeons.

All doctors told Renick Hamilton, of West Jefferson, Ohio, after suffering 18 months from rectal fistula, he would die unless a costly operation was performed; but he cured himself with Bucklen's Arnica Salve, the best in the world. Surest pile cure on earth. 25c a box at F. Potts Green's drug store.

Improvements for P. and E.

Immediate outlays on track improvements are said to be necessary on the Philadelphia and Erie division of the Pennsylvania system in consequence of the increased size of the rolling stock and heavier tonnage. In the recent annual report the statement is make that the Pennsylvania management will remit 3 per cent dividend, amounting to $72,000, on its special stock of $2,400,000 which is held by the company, addition to a similar amount so appropriated last year. The amount of $150,000 has also been set aside for the extraordinary expenditure fund of the Philadelphia and Erie for use during the current year.

A Fiendish Attack.

An attack was lately made on D. F. Collier, of Cherokee, Iowa, that nearly proved fatal. It came through his kidneys. His back got so lame he could not stoop without great pain, nor sit in a chair except propped by cushions. No remedy helped him until he tried Electric Bitters, which effected such a wonderful change that he writes he feels like a new man. This marvelous medicine cures backache and kidney trouble, purifies the blood and builds up your health. Only 50c at F. Potts Green's drug store.

—Over in Wilkesbarre, where for several weeks past a small army of hoboes have had their headquarters, the question of breaking up the rendevous has been settled by the action of Mayor Nichols, in putting them to work on the streets. On Tuesday last a number of the hoboes went on strike after working a few hours, but after rounding them up and placing the ringleaders in solitary confinement on a bread and water diet for twenty-four hours, the weary Willies weakened, and agreed to work.

Ask for Allen's Foot-Ease, A Powder,

To shake into your shoes. It rests the feet. Cures Corns, Bunions, Ingrowing Nails, Swollen and Sweating feet. At all druggists and shoe stores. 25c. Sample FREE. Address, Allen S. Olmsted, Le Roy, N. Y.

—18,000 coke workers in the Connellsville region received cheering news on Thursday of an advance in their wages of about 12 per cent. The last advance to this class of wage earners was made in May, 1899, when an increase of 7 cents per 100 bushels was granted the miners as a basic price, the other workers receiving proportionate advances. Altogether, directly and indirectly, between 25,000 and 30,000 workers will be affected by the increase.

HOOD'S PILLS cure Liver Ills, Biliousness, Indigestion, Headache. Easy to take, easy to operate. 25c.

CLEARFIELD FIRE.

Several Prominent Firms Burned Out,

Clearfield had another disastrous fire March 7th. The fire started in a closet or in the cellar under the Goldburg & Warner clothing store or the drug store of E. W. Graham, and smouldered and smoked to such an extent that by the time the firemen arrived the exact position of the fire could not be located. The firemen fought with bull dog determination for over four hours. The losses will aggregate $20,000.

The following are the losers: Goldberg & Warner, loss on building and stock, $15,000; insurance $12,000; Graham's drug store, loss on building and stock, $6,000; W. A. Hagerty, law office, loss, $500; Clearfield Clay Working company's office, loss, $500; J. S. Showers, insurance agency, Surveyor Run Lumber company, J. F. Weaver & Son lumber dealers, S. V. Wilson, attorney, and A. J. Hagerty, dry goods, are also heavy losers.

The following firms were burned out last month when the Keystone block burned, and they had just moved into the Graham buildings and had not yet gotten their books and papers in proper shape for business from their last unfortunate burning: J. F. Weaver & Son, lumber office; Surveyor Run Lumber company, lumber office; Clearfield Clay Working company, owned by Reed & Ettla, markers of street paving brick, office.

Strike at Salona.

The employes in the Salona quarries struck again Thursday morning. About forty men quit work. The strike was caused by dissatisfaction over the present system of weighing, and also for an increase of from ten to fifteen cents a car load for stone. The men claim that they were promised a raise some time ago, but so far the increase has not been given them.

Then, too, the men were dissatisfied over the weighing and docking system in force. If a stone over six inches long was found in a car, the men was docked a half ton. Thursday morning one of the men ran a car in, and when it was weighed a stone larger than the prescribed size was found, and the man was accordingly docked. The employe quit, and all the rest did likewise.

An Epidemic of Typhoid Fever.

The citizens of Milton are much wrought up over an epidemic of Typhoid fever that has broken out there. According to the reports of physicians, there are over a hundred cases of the disease, and the physicians seem to be unable to check its spread. During the last week there have been two deaths, among them being Dr. Clark, a prominent physician, and Dr. Sticker. The epidemic is attributed by some to the city water, which is supplied from the Susquehanna river, while others say it is due to the stearing up of the streets. The board of health has decided to have the water analyzed.

Said the British: "Here's a kopje,
Let us charge and never stapje
Till we bayonet and mopje
All the Boers off of the earth."
So they made their rifles popje
At the Boers on the kopje,
And they rushed up to the topje,
Venting shouts of savage mirth.

When, alas, they reached the topje
Of this lofty, rocky kopje,
The Boers had the dropje
From the front and left and right;
So the Britons made a flopje,
With a skipje and a hopje,
And they quit that stony kopje
In a somewhat hasty flight.

Brilliant Record.

The New Age gives the following record of Odd Fellowship:

Sixty-five grand lodges; 11,700 subordinate lodges; 859,000 members.

Fifty-four grand encampments; 2,700 subordinate; 130,000 partriarchs.

Five thousand Rebekah lodges, 300,000 members.

Seven hundred thousand weekly sick benefits paid during the year.

Eight thousand five hundred brothers buried in 1898, decently and in order.

Three million four hundred thousand dollars practically and fraternally paid out to relieve distress, bury the dead and care for the widow and orphan.

Total relief paid to January 1, 1899, $80,000,000.

—No greater mistake could be made than to suppose that, in matters of dress, Manila is a "shoddy" place. On the contrary, the city is as gay as the climate permits. Everyone likes to look at his best, especially during the late afternoon and evening. The drive along the Luneta during the hour around sundown is a scene of kaleidoscopic in color. Circumstances permitting there is plenty of social life in the evening.

Musical College.

At the Musical College, Freeburg, Snyder county, Pa., $33 will pay for six weeks, instructions and board. Spring term will begin May 7. For catalogue address.

HENRY B. MOYER.
Freeburg Pa.

—The box office receipts of "Sapho" show that New York knows an immoral play when it sees one.

One Dose

Tells the story. When your head aches, and you feel bilious, constipated, and out of tune, with your stomach sour and no appetite, just buy a package of

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And take a dose, from 1 to 4 pills. You will be surprised at how easily they will do their work, cure your headache and biliousness, rouse the liver and make you feel happy again. 25 cents. Sold by all medicine dealers.

Pat Was One of Them.

Pat O'Mara, a private in the Ninth regulars, went to the colonel of his regiment and asked for a two week's leave of absence. The colonel was a severe disciplinarian, who did not believe in extending too many privileges to his men and did not hesitate in using a subterfuge in evading the granting of one.

"Well," said the colonel, "what do you want a two week's furlough for?"

Patrick answered; "Me woife is very sick and the children are not well and if ye didn't mind she would like to have me home for a few weeks for a bit of assistance."

The colonel eyed him for a few minutes and said; "Patrick I might grant your request, but I got a letter from your wife this morning saying that she didn't want you home; that you were a nuisance and raised the dickens whenever you were there. She hopes I won't let you have any more furloughs."

"That settles it. I snppose I can't get the furlough then?" said Pat.

"No; I'm afraid not, Patrick. It wouldn't be well for me to do so under the circumstances."

It was Patrick's turn now to eye the colonel as he started for the door. Stopping suddenly he said "Colonel, can I say something to yez?

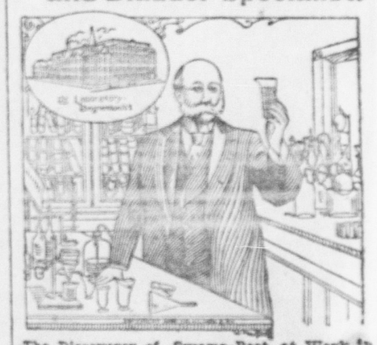
"Certainly Patrick, what is it?"

"You won't get mad, colonel, if I say it?"

"Certainly not, Patrick, what is it?"

"I want to say there are two splendid liars in this room and I am one of them I was never married in me loife."

The Eminent Kidney and Bladder Specialist.



The Discoverer of Swamp-Root at Work in His Laboratory.

There is a disease prevailing in this country most dangerous because so deceptive. Many sudden deaths are caused by it—heart disease, pneumonia, heart failure or apoplexy are often the result of kidney disease. If kidney trouble is allowed to advance the kidney-poisoned blood will attack the vital organs, or the kidneys themselves break down and waste away cell by cell. Then the richness of the blood—the albumen—leaks out and the sufferer has Bright's Disease, the worst form of kidney trouble.

Dr. Kilmer's **Swamp-Root** the new discovery is the true specific for kidney, bladder and urinary troubles. It has cured thousands of apparently Hopeless cases, after all other efforts have failed. At druggists in fifty-cent and dollar sizes. A sample bottle sent free by mail, also a book telling about Swamp-Root and its wonderful cures. Address Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y. and mention this paper.

Cost Him More Than Its Worth.

There has been terminated at civil court at Sunbury a litigation which has been in progress for the past ten years, involving two farms in Mahantonga Valley, with the county lines of Northumberland and Schuylkill intervening. Now W. Nelson Stine obtains final possession of a farm which would not likely bring more than $3,000 if exposed to public sale, but which cost him about $14,000 since he exercised his original claim for it.

Never Worry.

Take them and go about your business—they do their work whilst you are doing yours. Dr. Agnew's Liver Pills are system renovators, blood purifiers and builders; every gland and tissue in the whole anatomy is benefited and stimulated in the use of them. 40 doses in a vial, 10 cents.—94.

For sale by F. Potts Green.

—The Boer's are finding out the difference between war in the other fellow's territory and war at home.

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COLLEGE GIRLS' GRUESOME JOKE.

"A certain co-educational college has a ledge running just outside the girls' rooms on the fourth floor, connecting window with window." "This ledge the girls used for going from room to room for midnight feasts. In the daytime it was in plain sight of the campus. One afternoon a party of college men coming across the campus saw four girls sitting on this ledge talking and laughing and eating bananas and cakes, and enjoying themselves generally. Suddenly there was a shriek. The men saw one girl slip and pitch headlong over the ledge. The other girls with terrified faces, rushed to the nearest windows. The men ran toward the body of the unfortunate girl. It had struck heavily and lay perfectly still. With horror and pity they lifted the limp form. It was a second or two before they realized that the tumbled clothes were but fastened to an old stuffed megaphone, and that the whole thing was a huge joke—before they saw the laughing faces at every window. Then they put the dejected addressed up megaphone down roughly, pulled their hats over their eyes and went away, peal after peal of laughter going after them."

What do the Children Drink.

Don't give them tea or coffee. Have you tried the new food drink called GRAIN-O? It is delicious and nourishing and takes the place of coffee. The more Grain-O you give the children the more health you distribute through their systems. Grain-O is made of pure grains, and when properly prepared tastes like the choice grades of coffee but costs about ¼ as much. All grocers sell it. 15c. and 25c.

—Woolen underwear, hygienically speaking, is not so good for all-around purposes as cotton or linen the latter, if meshed, being preferable. If one perspires readily he will chill as readily when wearing woolen underwear, as it holds the moisture, thus keeping the surface of the body damp.

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The Future of American Ship-Building.

It seems to be now generally admitted that in normal circumstances (1899 being exceptional in the excess of demand over supply of iron and steel), the United States can produce ship-building material at a lower cost than British makers can That being so, there remain only the factors of applied science and labor. In the case of the former, American builders lack only the experience of the high class British builders In the case of the latter, America has the advantage at present in fewer union embarrassments and in the more generous use of machinery. How long that advantage may last cannot, of course, be said, but what can be said by an impartial Briton is that America does not need a Shipping Subsidies Bill to enable her to build and to own a merchant navy worthy of her commerce. She has all the elements within her own industrial resources, without dipping into the national purse. Bounties have not helped to any extent either the shipping or the ship-building of France, but antiquated navigation laws do prevent the natural development of America.—Benjamin Taylor, in The Engineering Magazine for March.

For Over Fifty Years.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup has been used for over fifty years by millions of mothers for their children while teething with perfect success. It soothes the child, softens the gums, allays all pain, cures wind colic, and is the best remedy for diarrhoea. It will relieve the poor little sufferer immediately. Sold by all druggists in all parts of the world. Twenty-five cents a bottle. Be sure and ask for Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup" and take no other kind.

Turning Out Government Shoes.

On November 3, 1899, the Tyrone Shoe Co. commenced work on a United States government contract to supply 30.000 pairs of shoes for the National Homes for Soldiers, to be delivered at Dayton, O., by May 1, 1900. The company aside from its other numerous orders, has been filling this contract and shipping to Dayton on the average 5,000 pairs each month. The company recently received from the government an order to increase the contract number 10 per cent, or 3,000 additional pairs.

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One of the boxes of chocolate sent by Queen Victoria as a Christmas gift to the English soldier's stopped a bullet that would have entered a private's heart. This is a pleasing variation of the usual stories of things that stop bullets when they are hot after the soldier's life.

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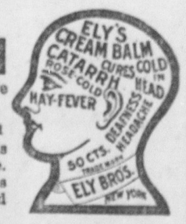
In all its stages there should be cleanliness.

Ely's Cream Balm cleanses, soothes and heals the diseased membrane. It cures catarrh and drives away a cold in the head quickly.



Cream Balm is placed into the nostrils, spreads over the membrane and is absorbed. Relief is immediate and a cure follows. It is not drying—does not produce sneezing. Large Size, 50 cents at Druggists or by mail; Trial Size, 10 cents by mail.

ELY BROTHERS, 56 Warren Street, New York.

Women Supplanted by Men.

With carefully gleaned statistics, Edward Bok, in March Ladies' Home Journal, shows that the number of women in business is decreasing, and will continue rapidly to grow less. "The tide of women rushing pell-mell into all kinds of business has been stemmed—in fact, it is already receding, and perceptibly so," he contends. It has already been asserted by female agitators that the growing tendency to dismiss women from various business positions is because of the opposition of men to the employment of women. On the contrary, men were willing to have women go into business pursuits, and it was men who opened positions to them. Undoubtedly this was largely due to the selfish business reason that women would work for lower wages than men. But with the influx there necessarily came into the business world a great deal of incompetent female help. For a time incompetency was overlooked because of the lower wages. Gradually, however, there came the inevitable weeding process, temporarily stayed by the business depression of the past few years. When a prosperous time came it was different, and it is a very significant story which accurate statistics tell that more women have been discharged from business positions during the past year of prosperity, even taking into consideration the larger number employed, than in any previous year."

Father of the Kindergarten.

"After spending years wrestling with the problems of education, Friedrich Froebel, founder of the kindergarten, arrived at the conviction that the school never could be a success until the home performed its function as an educational institution also," writes Patterson DuBois, in the March Ladies' Home Journal. "Thenceforth his dominant interest was focused on the cradle rather than on the schoolhouse. He became the great apostle of the home. He looked to woman as his natural ally, yet he was not oblivious to the father's part in home making. His proposition for a general educational union was addressed to fathers. He firmly believed, however, that woman was to be the world's great educational force. She was to regenerate the race. Yet he realized that this meant that she must suffer even as he suffered. 'Whoever will go with me,' he said, 'must undertake a great deal, must suffer ridicule and blame, and let themselves be burned and torn in pieces.' He wanted a mother to be something more than a 'beloved mother.' He says, 'In order to render the command of Christ effective, education in the family must first be reformed, otherwise there will be no solid foundation for subsequent education to stand on.'"

We Give no Reward.

An offer of this kind is the meanest of deceptions. Test the curative powers of Ely's Cream Balm for the cure of Catarrh, Hay Fever and Cold in the Head and you are sure to continue the treatment. Relief is immediate and a cure follows. It is not drying, does not produce sneezing. It soothes and heals the membrane, Price 50 cents at druggists or by mail. Ely Brothers, 56 Warren Street, New York.

DESTRUCTION OF TROUT.

Piscatorialists are in gloom over the great destruction of trout by the recent floods. Bushels of fish were washed from the deep channel of Spring creek to the adjoining ditches and meadows, and even on high banks where the water quickly receded. Many hundreds of trout, some from 12 to 15 inches long, were stranded. For one hour fishermen of this place went along Water street on Thursday, secured as many of the trout as possible and returned them to the stream but Friday morning plenty of dead fish were to be seen all along the course of the flood, and many of them were trout. What the destruction in the country districts amounts to cannot yet be told, but it is supposed to be even worse than here. Many muskrats were killed during the high water.

Williamsport Lady's Death.

Mrs. Temperance Mitchell, widow of the late Rev. Thompson Mitchell, D. D., died suddenly Tuesday morning, March 6, at her home in Williamsport, of heart failure. Her death was sudden and unexpected, occurring at about 5:15 o'clock Tuesday morning.

Mrs. Mitchell is survived by five children: Mrs. Joshua Horner, of Ashland, Md.; Morris J. Mitchell, of Baltimore; Judge John H. Mitchell, of Pueblo, Col., and Maud and Max L. Mitchell, both of Williamsport.

The funeral took place from the house last Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Interment private.

A Chapter on Children.

Dr. Humphreys' Specific Manuel contains a chapter especially on the diseases of children. Mailed free. Address Humphreys' Company, Cor. William & John Sts., N. Y.

He's Still Digging "Taters."

A neighboring newspaper man was overwhelmed the other day by the following epistle which one of his subscribers wrote when he discontinued his paper. It ran as follows: "I think folks ortent to spend their money for paypur, my dad dien't and every one said he was the intelligentist man in the country and had the smartest family of boize that ever dug taters."

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Congress either has or has not the power to legislate for territory out side the boundary of the United states proper, without regard to the constitution. The question is not one for the stumps but for the U. S. Supreme Court, and the sooner it is decided and taken out of partisan politics the better for all concerned.

—The Clark bribery case has cost the country $30,000, and according to the testimony before the Senate committee on elections and privileges, it cost the principals more than $200,000 before it reached Washington from which it would seem that Senator Clark holds the most costly seat in the "Millionaires Club."

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WESTWARD.					EASTWARD.		
College Accom.	Exp.				Mail.	Exp.	Bellf Ac
1†	*5	*3	Lv	Ar	*2	*4	6†
a.m	p m	a m		a m	p m	p. m.	
6 30	4 15	10 30	Bellefonte	8 50	2 40	6 40	
6 35	4 21	10 37	Coleville	8 40	2 25	6 30	
f638	f4 25	f10 42	Morris	f 8 35	f2 22	f6 27	
f643	f4 28	f10 47	Whitmer	f8 35	f2 17	f6 23	
f646	f4 33	f10 53	Hunters	f8 31	f2 10	f6 21	
f650	f4 36	f10 56	Filmore	f8 28	f2 06	f6 18	
f655	f4 40	f11 02	Briarly	f8 24	f2 00	f6 14	
7 00	4 43	11 05	Waddle	8 20	1 55	6 10	
f708	f4 45	f11 08	Lambourn	f8 18	f1 52	f6 07	
f712	f4 55	f11 20	Krumrine	f8 07	f1 37	f5 52	
7 25	5 00	11 15	State College	8 00	1 30	5 45	
f727	f5 05	f11 24	Struble	f7 45	f1 34	f5 25	
f731	f5 10		Bloomsdorf	f7 40		af5 20	
7 35	5 15		Pine Grv Mills	7 35		5 15	

Morning trains from Montandon, Lewisburg, Williamsport, Lock Haven and Tyrone connect with train No. 3 and 5 for State College. Afternoon trains from Montandon Lewisburg, Williamsport, Lock Haven and Tyrone connect with train No. 5 for State College. Trains from State College connect with Penna R R trains at Bellefonte for points east and west.

f stops on flag. † Daily except Sunday.

P. H. THOMAS, Supt.

PENNSYLVANIA R. R. AND BRANCHES
Schedule in effect Nov. 20, 1899.

Via Tyrone—Westward.

Leave Bellefonte 9.53 a m, arrive at Tyrone 11.10 a m, at Altoona 1 p m, at Pittsburg 5.50 p m
Leave Bellefonte 1.05 p m, arrive at Tyrone 2.15 p m, at Altoona 3.10 p m, at Pittsburg 6.55 p m
Leave Bellefonte 4.44 p m, arrive at Tyrone 6.00 p m, at Altoona 7.35 p m, at Pittsburg 11 30 p m

Via Tyrone—Eastward.

Leave Bellefonte 9.53 a m, arrive at Tyrone 11.10, at Harrisburg 2.40 p m, at Philadelphia 5.47 p m
Leave Bellefonte 1.05 p m, arrive at Tyrone 2.15 p m, at Harrisburg 6.45 p m, at Philadelphia 10.20 p m
Leave Bellefonte 4.44 p m, arrive at Tyrone 6.00 p m, at Harrisburg 10 p m

Via Lock Haven—Northward.

Leave Bellefonte 9.32 a m, arrive at Lock Haven 10.30 a m
Leave Bellefonte 1.42 p m, arrive at Lock Haven 2.45 p m, at Williamsport 3.50 p m
Leave Bellefonte 8.31 p m, arrive at Lock Haven 9 30 p m

Via Lock Haven—Eastward.

Leave Bellefonte 9.32 a m, arrive at Lock Haven 10.30 a m, leave Williamsport 12 40 p m, arrive at Harrisburg 3.15 p m, at Philadelphia at 6.23 p m
Leave Bellefonte 1.42 p m, arrive at Lock Haven 2.45 p m, arrive at Williamsport 3.50 p m, leave 4.00 p m, arrive at Harrisburg 6.50 p m, Philadelphia 10.20 p m
Leave Bellefonte 8.31 p m arrive at Lock Haven 9 30 p m, leave Williamsport 1.05 a m, arrive at Harrisburg 3.55 a m, arrive at Philadelphia 6.52 a m

Via Lewisburg.

Leave Bellefonte at 6.40 a m, arrive at Lewisburg at 9.05 a m, Montandon 9.15 a m, Harrisburg 11.30 a m, Philadelphia 3.17 p m.
Leave Bellefonte 2.15 p m, arrive at Lewisburg 4.47, at Harrisburg 6.55 p m, Philadelphia at 10.20 p m

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TYRONE AND CLEARFIELD RAILROAD.
Time table in effect July 10, 1899

NORTHWARD.				SOUTHWARD			
EXPRESS	DAY EXPRESS.	MAIL.	STATIONS.	EXPRESS.	DAY EXPRESS.	MAIL.	
P M	P M	A M	Lv Ar	P M	A M	P M	
7 20	3 20	8 20	Tyrone	8 50	11 20	6 10	
7 26	3 26	8 26	East Tyrone	8 49	11 14	6 04	
7 28	3 28	8 28	Tyrone S		11 12	6 02	
7 31	3 30	8 31	Vail	8 45	11 09	5 57	
7 41	3 40	8 42	Vanscoyoc	8 38	11 02	5 52	
7 45	3 44	8 47	Gardner	8 35	10 59	5 48	
7 54	3 53	8 57	Mt. Pleasant	8 27	10 51	5 40	
8 00	3 59	9 05	Summit	8 20	10 44	5 32	
8 05	4 03	9 09	Sandy Ridge	8 14	10 38	5 27	
8 06	4 05	9 11	Retort	8 11	10 35	5 21	
8 07	4 06	9 12	Powelton	8 09	10 33	5 19	
8 15	4 12	9 19	Osceola	7 59	10 23	5 08	
		9 26	Osceola Junct		10 20	5 04	
8 19	4 16	9 29	Boynton	7 55	10 17	5 01	
8 23	4 20	9 32	Steiners	7 51	10 13	4 57	
8 26	4 23	9 40	Philipsburg	7 50	10 12	4 56	
8 31	4 29	9 45	Graham	7 46	10 07	4 51	
8 36	4 34	9 50	Blue Ball	7 41	10 02	4 46	
8 42	4 40	9 56	Wallaceton	7 36	9 56	4 39	
8 47	4 45	10 02	Bigler	7 31	9 50	4 33	
8 53	4 50	10 08	Woodland	7 26	9 45	4 27	
8 56	4 54	10 11	Mineral Spr'g's	7 25	9 42	4 25	
9 00	4 58	10 15	Barrett	7 21	9 39	4 20	
9 05	5 03	10 22	Leonard	7 17	9 35	4 15	
9 09	5 07	10 26	Clearfield	7 13	9 31	4 09	
9 14	5 12	10 32	Riverview	7 09	9 26	4 03	
9 20	5 18	10 39	Susque. Bridge	7 04	9 20	3 56	
9 25	5 37	10 44	Curwensville	7 00	9 15	3 51	
	5 48	10 50	Rustic	6 54		3 35	
	5 51	10 58	Stronach	6 46		3 27	
	5 57	11 04	Grampian	49		3 21	
P M	P M	P M	Ar Lv	P M	A M	P M	

BALD EAGLE VALLEY—PENNSYLVANIA Railroad Division. Daily except Sunday. Schedule in effect on and after July 10, 1899.

Westward.				Eastward.		
55	53	51		50	52	54
p m	p m	a m		a m	p m	p m
3 45	12 10	8 55	Lock Haven	10 30	2 43	9 30
3 49		8 59	Flemington	10 24	2 39	9 26
3 51	12 16	9 01	Mill Hall	10 22	2 37	9 24
4 02	12 26	9 12	Beech Creek	10 11	2 26	9 13
4 05	12 29	9 15	Eagleville	10 08	2 23	9 10
4 11	12 38	9 24	Howard	9 59	2 14	9 01
4 20		9 30	Mount Eagle	9 53	2 08	8 55
4 25	12 48	9 34	Curtin	9 49	2 04	8 51
4 32	12 55	9 41	Milesburg	9 40	1 55	8 43
4 44	1 05	9 58	Bellefonte	9 28	1 47	8 31
4 53	1 13	10 01	Milesburg	9 18	1 33	8 23
4 56	1 16	10 04	Snow Shoe Int	9 15	1 30	8 20
5 03	1 23	10 11	Unionville	9 07	1 23	8 12
5 12	1 31	10 20	Julian	8 58	1 14	8 23
5 21	1 39	10 28	Martha	8 49	1 06	7 54
5 28	1 45	10 36	Port Matilda	8 42	1 00	7 47
5 35	1 51	10 44	Hannah	8 35	12 54	7 40
5 37		10 46	Fowler	8 33	12 52	7 38
5 40		10 49	Dix	8 30	12 50	7 35
5 46	2 01	10 56	Bald Eagle	8 24	12 44	7 29
5 50	2 05	11 00	Vail	8 20	12 40	7 25
5 54	2 09	11 04	East Tyrone	8 16	12 36	7 21
6 00	2 15	11 10	Tyrone	8 10	12 30	7 15
p m	p m	a m		a m	p m	p m

Nos. 50 and 55 will run daily.

LEWISBURG AND TYRONE RAILROAD
In effect July 10, 1899.

Westward.			Eastward	
p m	a m		a m	p m
1 38	5 40	Montandon	9 15	4 50
1 45	6 35	Lewisburg	9 05	4 47
1 57	6 47	Vicksburg	8 53	4 35
2 05	6 55	Mifflinburg	8 45	4 27
2 18	7 07	Millmont	8 33	4 16
2 23	7 13	Glen Iron	8 26	4 08
2 51	7 40	Paddy Mountain	8 00	3 45
3 02	7 50	Coburn	7 50	3 32
3 08	7 57	Zerby	7 43	3 25
3 17	8 05	Rising Spring	7 35	3 17
3 23	8 11	Penns Cave	7 28	3 10
3 30	8 18	Centre Hall	7 22	3 02
3 35	8 24	Gregg	7 17	2 55
3 42	8 31	Linden Hall	7 10	2 48
3 46	8 35	Oak Hall	7 06	2 43
3 50	8 39	Lemont	7 02	2 38
3 54	8 43	Dale Summit	6 57	2 34
4 03	8 52	Pleasant Gap	6 48	2 24
4 06	8 55	Axemann	6 45	2 21
4 30	9 00	Bellefonte	6 40	2 15

SNOW SHOE BRANCH—DAILY EXCEPT Sunday—In effect July 10, 1899.

a m		STATIONS.		p m
11 26	6 27	Arrive Snow Shoe	Leave 7 40	3 13
10 00	6 05	Snow Shoe Intersection	9 15	4 56
10 01	5 55	Milesburg	9 18	5 05
9 53	5 45	Leave Bellefonte	Arrive 9 32	5 20

CENTRAL RAILROAD OF PENNSYLVANIA.
Condensed Time Table.

READ DOWN.			Jan. 21, 1900.		READ UP.		
No. 1	No. 5	No. 3		No. 6	No. 2	No. 4	
a.m.	p.m.	p.m.	Lv.	Ar.	p.m	a.m.	p.m
7 10	*6 30	*2 40	Bellefonte		9 02	9 40	5 10
7 22	6 42	2 52	Nigh		8 49	9 27	4 57
7 28	6 48	2 58	Zion		8 43	9 21	4 51
7 33	6 53	3 03	Hecla Park		8 38	9 16	4 46
7 35	6 55	3 05	Dunkles		8 36	9 14	4 44
7 39	6 59	3 09	Hublersburg		8 32	9 10	4 40
7 43	7 03	3 13	Snydertown		8 28	9 06	4 36
7 46	7 06	3 16	Nittany		8 25	9 03	4 33
7 48	7 09	3 18	Huston		8 22	9 00	4 30
7 51	7 12	3 21	Lamar		8 19	8 57	4 27
7 53	7 15	3 23	Clintondale		8 16	8 54	4 24
7 57	7 19	3 27	Krider's S'n'g		8 12	8 49	4 19
8 02	7 24	3 32	Mackeyville		8 06	8 43	4 13
8 08	7 30	3 38	Cedar Springs		7 59	8 37	4 07
8 10	7 32	3 40	Salona		7 57	8 35	4 05
8 15	7 37	3 45	Mill Hall		*7 52	*8 30	*4 00
			(BEECH CREEK R. R.)				
11 45			Jersey Shore			7 55	3 25
12 20	8 15		Arr WM'PORT Lve			7 25	*2 50
12 34	8 45		Lve WM'PORT Arr			*6 55	2 30
	11 30		(PHILA AND READING RY)				
8 28			PHILA		11 36	*8 36	
10 40	7 00		NEW YORK (Via Phila)		9 00	*4 30	
	2 30						
p.m			Ar.	Lv.		p.m.	a.m.

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EDITORIAL.

WHO will be the Republican member of the Board of County Commissioners?

EVEN the Kentucky Democrats are becoming ashamed of the Goebel law, and a movement is on foot in their own ranks for its repeal.

WAS it Tuesday of last week or Thursday of the week before that Penrose had promised to bring the Quay case to a vote in the Senate?

THE time is nearly ripe for the selection of Census Enumerators for Centre County. No doubt many are willing, but few will be chosen.

IF any one wants to know what Ladysmith and Kimberly were like during the siege, all they will have to do will be to go to Kansas City during the coming Democratic National Convention.

WOULD-BE Commissioners are plenty in Bellefonte these days. Abe Miller is said to have the lead for the vacancy on the board, but he is hard pressed by others who are putting up a stiff fight for the place.

SOME one has proposed that Grover Cleveland's picture be added to the decorations of the convention hall at Kansas City. The proposer must be one of those people who always want a last chapter to tell what becomes of everybody.

FOR the week ending March 12, 1898, Chicago made a new record, having shipped by rail 158,232 tons of freight. This was while the Leiter wheat shipments were in progress. This record was broken during the last week in February, 1900, when the freight shipments by rail amounted to 212,312 tons.

EX STATE SENATOR JOHN A. COYLE, of Schuylkill County, under indictment for bribery at Harrisburg, has gone, it is said, to Allegheny to Assist "Bull" Andrews' campaign for the Legislature. Mayor Wyman, who served a term in jail for misappropriating public funds, is Andrews' first lieutenant, and Coyle has been placed second in command. These are typical machine workers.

JUDGE TAFT'S position should be a lesson to the anti-expansionists who overstep the bounds of patriotism in their denunciations of expansion. He was not thoroughly satisfied of its advisability but when the President asked him to help straighten out matters, he felt it his duty to accede to the request. So he gave up an easy life position to go to a new land for his country's sake. Imagine Carnegie, Pettigrew, Mason, Hoar and a score of others of their class doing anything of the kind.

MR. CLARKE, of Montana, tried to buy a seat in the United States Senate and Mr. Quay, of Pennsylvania, is trying to steal a seat in the same body. A pretty pair, one may well say. Shades of Lincoln, Grant, Blaine and all other departed illustrious defenders of the faith and apostles of true and loyal Republicanism, what is the Republican party drifting to when two such creatures of political depravity are thrust forward as worthy representatives of a great party and sustained in their iniquitous endeavors to accomplish their purpose and desire.

THIS GREAT STATE.

Pennsylvania's Humiliating Position in the United States Senate.

From Scranton Truth.

In these stirring days, when the nation is making history at Washton in dealing with questions whose influence will be felt on the future of the United States for generations, it is worth while to note the part the great State of Pennsylvania is playing in the drama of statesmanship. Surely, the Keystone State, the very cradle of liberty, a Commonwealth imperial in population, wealth and industry, should be well to the front when momentous questions affecting the welfare of this Republic are under discussion.

Nowhere in the land is there a State where more people or mightier interests are concerned in the wise outcome of national statesmanship than we find in Pennsylvania; and it is but right and just, therefore, that her representatives in the Council of Commonwealths should sit close to the head of the table and bear a big part in shaping the nation's destinies. This State should be heard and felt in determining the attitude of the Republic toward Puerto Rico, Cuba, Hawaii and the Philippines; and have a full voice in disposing of the treaty relating to the construction and control of the Nicaragua Canal.

Far-reaching, indeed, in their influence upon the country's future, for many a century, will be the dispositihn of these questions, and should a great State like Pennsylvania be eliminated, in whole or in part, from the settlement of problems so vital and so momentous to the present and future of the nation's welfare?

Instead of finding the Keystone Commonwealth well to the front in the Council of the States—the United States Senate—at this great juncture, what do we find? We find her virtually voiceless and shorn of half her voting power. The smallest State in the Union is now twice as potent as this imperial Commonwealth in the United States Senate, and has more weight in the settlement of the great questions here indicated. Pennsylvania has but one United States Senator in the Senate, and his time is devoted to an effort to secure admission for a colleague who was rejected by the people's representatives in General Assembly, and then appointed by a Governor who apparently acts upon the supposition of the New York politician who declared once upon a time that "a little thing like the Constitution should not come between friends."

This is the humiliating position of Pennsylvania in the United States Senate at a time in the country's history when the eyes of the world are on that body as never before, and when matters of world-wide interest, as well as of special importance to this Republic, call for the wisest and broadest statesmanship.

To this pass the proud old Commonwealth has been brought by machine politics and the operations of a political system that has long been a stumbling-block to the best interests of the State. It is greatly to be regretted that Pennsylvania should, at this most important period in the nation's history, play so insignificant a part in the mighty questions now demanding the attention of the United States Senate. The remedy for this condition lies in the election of United State Senators by popular vote, and the people should be satisfied with nothing less. The machine method of electing United States Senators stands discredited forever.

American Tin Plate.

Almost eight hundred million pounds of tin plate were manufactured in the United States last year, and it was only in 1890 that we were told by the Democrats that no amount of protection would enable us to make any. The following is a very interesting study of what the policy of protection can do for American industries:

TIN PLATE.

Year.	Imported from abroad.	Manufactured in United States.
1891, lbs.....	1,036,489,074	None,
1899, lbs.....	108,484,826	791,371,484
Decrease.....	828,004,248	.....
Increase.....	.....	791,371,484

PHILADELPHIA BEER.

Philadelphia may not rank first among the beer consuming municipalities of the world, but it is a long way from being a "tail ender", says the Philadelphia *Times*, which in support of its conclusions gives some convincing statistics compiled from figures submitted to the license court in that city by its local brewing concerns.

The total output of the Philadelphia breweries for the year ending February 1, 1900, was 2,000,000 barrels, yielding in revenue for the brewers $16,000,000, and for the retail trade in the city, saloons, etc., the enormous sum of $50,000,000. The government tax upon this popular liquid commodity was $4,000,000. This vast quantity of beer, says the *Times*, would give to each man woman and child in the city 656 glasses during the year quoted, and would overflow the largest of the city's reservoirs, or, if confined in barrels placed end to end, would form a continuous chain reaching from New York to New Orleans, or from Philadelphia to Havana. If the same were gathered into a solid mass it would equal in bulk the Philadelphia $25,000,000 City Hall. If, as stated, one half of the 1,350,000 inhabitants of the City of Brotherly Love forms the non-drinking class of the population the *Times* is fully sustained in its assertion that there must have been some pretty tall drinking done in Philadelphia during the year just ended.

A Theory Exploded.

"If we do not buy we cannot sell" is one of the oldest saws that the Democrats have been in the habit of grinding out when anybody shook a protection flag in their faces. This "theory" has long since been exploded. But let us bring the "condition" down to date and see how it has worked under the Dingley tariff. Thus:

Fiscal year.	We bought from abroad.	We sold abroad.
1898.....	$616,049,654	$1,231,482,330
1899.....	697,148,489	1,227,023,302

Last year we sold to foreigners $529,874,813 more than we bought. In 1898 we sold to the extent of $615,432,676 more than we bought, or, in other words, we sold a dollar's worth of our goods in foreign markets for every fifty cents' worth that we bought abroad. Under protection the motto seems to be that "we cannot help selling while we do our little foreign shopping."

COME to the front, citizens of Centre County, and give your best support to the County Centennial enterprise. The movement was successfully launched last evening in the Court House at the county seat. The Board of County Commissioners and the Burgess of Bellefonte co-operated in calling a meeting of citizens to effect a thorough Centennial organization throughout the county. We are unable to publish the proceedings and result of the meeting in this issue of the REPUBLICAN but we will have a full account of it, with committees appointed and general scheme of the work to be done, in our next issue. We can, however, and do urge the co-operation of every citizen of the county in the undertaking to the end that it may fittingly commemorate an hundred years of abundant prosperity and wonderful progress of the county and its people.

SENATOR LODGE, of Massachusetts, made an able speech outlining his views of this Government's duty toward the Filipinos and highly indorsing the policy of the Administration. He truly said that Mr. McKinley's "own policy and his own acts in the East are his all-sufficient defense, both now and in history."

KENTUCKY is again to the front with a military demonstration. The blue grass commonwealth has not yet reached the depth of the pit of political degradation prepared for it by the Goebel law and its promoters.

COKE is scarce, and, in spite of the largest output ever known, the price has advanced. As a natural sequence in these good times the wages of the hands have been raised 12½ per cent., the highest ever paid.

PUERTO RICAN AFFAIRS.

Cabinet Officer Explains Attitude of President and Congress.

A member of the Cabinet has stated emphatically to the Associated Press that there has been no disagreement whatever between the President and the Republicans in Congress on the Puerto Rican tariff question.

In his annual message last December, the President urged that the Dingley tariff rates should be inoperative, as far as Puerto Rico was concerned, as a matter of humane, public policy, because the island had lost its markets in Spain and because it had just been devastated by hurricane.

But when the time came for action in Congress there were some who feared lest free trade with Puerto Rico should be taken as a precedent when dealing with the Philippines. These urged that some duty, no matter how small, should be levied upon Puerto Rican products as an assurance that the power to do so was retained.

Again, the political opponents of the Republican party claimed that what the President had proposed as a liberal, humane, and generous public policy toward Puerto Rico belonged to that island as a Constitutional right. Their idea in so doing was solely to commit the Republican party to the adoption of free trade with Puerto Rico, not as a measure of generous expediency, but because they could then claim that it had riveted a hard and fast principle which would tie the hands of the Government everywhere, in the Philippines as well as in Puerto Rico, without regard to varying conditions, and which would expose the Administration and its party to all the criticisms and attacks that would be made on such a position.

This effort was frustrated by the imposition of a duty of 15 per cent. (less than one-sixth) of the Dingley rates, the money so derived to be returned to Puerto Rico to be used in its internal development and civil government.

President McKinley has accomplished even more than his well known kindness of heart and humanity had expected, because, if the suggestion in his special message is followed the sum of $2,000,000 heretofore collected as duties on the articles imported from Puerto Rico since our occupancy will be at once used for the improvement of the island possession.

The representation that the President and the Republicans in Congress were not in accord is incorrect. The discretionary power of Congress to impose duties has been fully sustained, and the country is left free to deal with each case on its own merits. The President rightfully accepted the act of Congress. "Our contention," says the Cabinet officer quoted, "that the Constitution does not by its own force extend over the new possessions without legislative act, is in harmony with the general tenor of judicial decision and legislative action from the acquisition of Louisiana down to this time."

Rose Leaves Instead of Rice for the Bride.

The opening of the door to permit the departure of a bride and groom has heretofore been the signal for a general pelting with rice—a Chinese custom conveying wishes for good health and prosperity. But this custom has been so abused with vulgarity, often producing injurious results, that it is being discarded at the weddings of careful people, and showering the bride with rose leaves or loose flowers has been instituted. These flowers are then again picked up and kept as souvenirs by the guests.—Mrs. Burton Kingsland in the March Ladies' Home Journal.

MONTANA is said to have mined $40,000,000 worth of copper last year. If this be true one is willing to concede to Copper King Clarke, of Montana, his ability to put up the stuff *ad libitum* for a seat in the United States Senate.

—From forty to fifty thousand young men from rural districts annually come to New York alone. Ten thousand invade Philadelphia. Twenty thousand enter Chicago. They flock into every large city in the United States.

WASHINGTON LETTER.

From our Regular Correspondent.

WASHINGTON, Mch. 12, 1900

Republican Senators are showing a disposition to get together on the Porto Rican bill. While it cannot yet be stated to a certainty what changes will be made, it seems likely that the bill will be amended so as to provide for the free entry of all American goods in Porto Rico.

The action of the Senate Committee on foreign relations in amending the Nicaragua Canal treaty so as to reserve to the U. S. authority to defend the Canal in any way it may see fit in time of war seems to meet with general approval. There is no reason to suppose that the amendment will be objected to by England. In fact, it cannot very well be objected to since the amendment is in almost the exact language of a clause in the treaty under which the Suez Canal was constructed.

In view of its effect upon our revenues, referring the reciprocity treaty with France to the Senate Finance Committee for consideration and report before voting upon it, seems a sensible move. There is much guessing going on as to when the treaty will be voted upon, but those who ought to know, believe that it will be acted upon at the present session.

Representative Hepburn, of Iowa has introduced a short bill that would, if enacted into a law, put an end to prize fighting in this country. It provides that no picture or description of any prize fight or pugilistic encounter, or any proposal for betting on a fight, shall be transmitted through the mail or by any common carrier engaged in interstate commerce, whether in a news paper or periodical, or in any other form. Without publicity, prize fighting could not be made to pay, and the money made out of it is the only reason for its existence.

Senator Lodge thinks the officer commanding our army should have a higher rank than any other officer and has introduced a joint resolution, giving to the senior Major General, while commanding the army, the rank, pay and emoluments of Lieut. General. Representative Moody, of Mass., offered the resolution in the House.

Representative Brosius, of Pa., who has earned a reputation for level-headeness, voiced the opinions of many republicans when he said: "There is a difference between a philosopher and a statesman. A statesman must keep his feet on the ground while a philosopher may be permitted to do more or less theorizing. Therefore I regret this tendency to yell out against the republican party at this time, particularly on the part of some very prominent republicans. I firmly believe that the republican party is able to meet successfully any problem that confronts it, and we ought to be willing to wait with patience for the solution of the great problems attending the possession of our new islands."

Col. George Bohon, of Ky., who is credited with knowing the politics of his state, said to a group of friends in a Washington hotel: "Unless the Goebel law is repealed, Kentucky will go republican as sure as candidates for the office of President are nominated, and the state will go republican so hard that it will never get back into the democratic ranks."

An object lesson on the credit of nations was furnished by the action of the British Government in offering English Consols, bearing 2¾ per cent interest, to American—investors the first time such an offer was ever made—at 98⅜ per cent of their face value, and by the Finance Bill, devised by republicans, which will this week become a law. This bill provides for refunding the entire bonded indebtedness of the U. S. into 2 per cent bonds, lower than any nation has ever floated bonds, and assurances have already been received that the new bonds will be gladly taken at par by the holders of the old ones. That is the sort of statesmanship the republicans give this nation. They were not satisfied that our credit should be as good as that of any other nation, but have made it better than that of the best

The passage by the German Reichstag, of the bill aimed at American meat products, has not produced a pleasant feeling in Washington, but neither in Congress nor in administration circles is there any disposition to publicly criticise the matter in its present stage. It is easy to infer, however, from what is said by those who are in position to make good their words, that if Germany deliberately invites a commercial conflict with us, she will be made to deeply regret having done so.

Senator Elkins has put a stop to the talk of his being a candidate for Vice President, by saying that he doesn't wish the office and that he does wish to remain in the Senate. He also expressed the opinion that President McKinley should be allowed to choose the candidate for Vice President.

Representative Ray is to be chairman of the special committee of seven, authorized by Representative Overstreet's resolution to consider bills and resolutions relating to trusts.

The Senate declined to accept Senator Hoar's proposal to pension the ex-Queen of Hawaii.

FACTS ABOUT PUERTO RICO.

The Puerto Rican tariff question which has been dividing the public attention with the South African war, the Philippine policy and other leading topics of the times has led us to collect a few facts regarding the island that may be interesting to our readers and worth preserving because of their statistical value. The following information has been gleaned from several recent articles descriptive of Puerto Rico, its resources, its development and its commercial importance:

Puerto Rico has an area of 3,670 miles and is, therefore, about one-fourteenth as large as Cuba, or nearly four times as large as Rhode Island, and almost as large as Connecticut; so much for its size, which it will be seen is by no means inconsiderable, small though it is in comparison with the vast majority of our states and territories. It has a population of about 800,000, including 300,000 negroes, and its chief city is San Juan, with 23,000 inhabitants, although Ponce and San Germain are both larger. The principal exports of Puerto Rico are coffee, sugar, molasses and tobacco. Its climate is agreeable and is readily endured by persons from the temperate zone. It is divided into eight departments or districts, including the island of Viequery. It has about 470 miles of telegraph, 137 miles of railway in operation, and nearly 200 miles under construction. This data was all compiled from statistics gathered just previous to the occupation of the island by the United States and prior to the destructive hurricane which resulted in such extensive disaster to life and property.

In 1897 the United States imported from Puerto Rico commodities valued at $2,181,000, and exported to Puerto Rico commodities to the value of almost $2,000,000. The total value of the island's imports for that year was $16,000,000 and its exports reached $14,600,000. The western part of the island produces, under favorable conditions, an abundance of the finest coffee in the world and its average annual export is nearly 170,000 cwt. It is one of the best tobacco growing countries in the world and the finest Havana cigars are made from Puerto Rican tobacco, of which 7,000,000 pounds are annually produced. It is also one of the chief sources of supply of cocoanuts and bananas, producing both of these by the millions. Its location makes it most available for a coaling and outfitting station for United States vessels. Taken all in all the acquisition of Puerto Rico by the United States will, when the little island gets on its feet, prove to be one of the most beneficial results of our "little affair" with Spain.

Prohibitionists to Convene in Johnstown or Williamsport.

The Prohibition State executive committee has decided upon August 8 as the date for the State Convention. State Chairman Jones has also been authorized to visit Johnstown and Williamsport and report as to the advisability of selecting either of those places for the convention city.

HAVE YOU DYSPEPSIA?

[SCIENCE CALLS IT CATARRH OF THE STOMACH.]

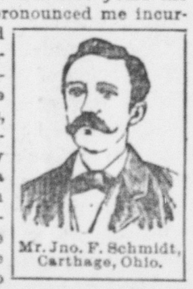
MISS DADE STEGEMAN, OF CHICAGO.

Miss Dade Stegeman, Superintendent of the Chicago North Side Woman's Club, of Chicago, in a recent letter to Dr. Hartman, speaks of Pe-ru-na as follows: "Pe-ru-na has often been used by the members of our club in cases of stomach trouble and general debility—also recently in cases of la grippe, and always with the most beneficial results. I think a great deal of Pe-ru-na—often recommend it to my friends, and am glad to say all who have tried it speak a good word for it."

Mrs. Emily S. Carson, Austerlitz, Mich., says:

Dr. S. B. Hartman—Dear Sir: I had been troubled with dyspepsia and indigestion for many years, and was very much reduced in flesh. I could not eat anything without the greatest distress afterwards. My food would come up and my stomach became very weak from fasting, as I preferred to go without food rather than suffer the consequences. I could get no rest by day nor sleep by night. I tried every remedy advertised for the cure of dyspepsia without the least benefit. At last I got a bottle of Pe-ru-na. I confess I had no faith in it, as I had been so often disappointed; but in a day or so I felt much improved. Food did not distress me as before. I continued its use, and, after using a dozen bottles, I was a well woman. I can eat anything without the least distress, sleep well, and, instead of the living skeleton I was, I am now a healthy, fleshy woman. This was in 1889, and I have continued well ever since. I have not been without your remedy in the house since my recovery. I advise all sufferers to do as I did and be cured.

Mr. John F Schmidt says: "Pe-ru-na has saved my life. For five years the best doctors had pronounced me incurable. I suffered with a complication of diseases—palpitation of the heart, nervousness, weakness and dyspepsia. A few bottles of Pe-ru-na and Man-a-lin cured me. Pe-ru-na cannot be beaten. I give your medicine to my children for the various little ailments which annoy little ones, and the result is that they are never sick, but always strong and healthy. I have gained forty pounds since taking Pe-ru-na."



Mr. Jno. F. Schmidt, Carthage, Ohio.

So many people have what is called dyspepsia without having the slightest suspicion that catarrh of the stomach is the cause. Such people take pepsin and a thousand other things, vainly hoping to get well. But the catarrh remains, and of course the dyspepsia remains. Pe-ru-na cures these cases permanently by removing the cause, which is catarrh. Pe-ru-na has cured more cases of dyspepsia than any other remedy in the world. Address Dr. Hartman, Columbus, Ohio, for a free book.

Endeavor Social.

The Christian Endeavor Society of the Presbyterian church of Milesburg, will hold a social at the home of Miss Elizabeth J. Stroop on Friday evening, March 16th. Proceeds for the benefit of the society. All are cordially invited to attend.

Will Vote for a Pastor.

In the near future the members of the Hublersburg and Salona charges of the Reformed church will vote for a pastor, to succeed Rev. Mr. Runkle. Rev. Harvey Crow, of Mercer county, has already delivered a trial sermon.

IT'S IMPOSSIBLE.

To Disprove Facts. It is Decidedly Easy to Verify Bellefonte Opinion.

Nothing by way of an introduction could be added to the experiences and opinions given below, which could increase their value. Bellefonte people can safely be left to draw their own conclusions based on such convincing proof as this citizen offers. What is there lacking in evidence like this to satisfy a dyed-in-the-wool-doubting-Thomas?

Mr. Walter Whippo, of Water street, leading Horse-shoer of Bellefonte, says: "I have a good word to say for Doan's Kidney Pills. I was miserable with backache and a lameness across my loins. I knew it was from my kidneys, for I had suffered from it prior to that. Sometimes I could hardly straighten after bending forward which greatly interfered with my work. I learned about Doan's Kidney Pills, procured them at F. Potts Green's drug store and began using them. I had tried other medicines and worn plasters but never had anything act so promptly as Doan's Kidney Pills. I have been quite free from the whole trouble ever since."

Doan's Kidney Pills for sale by all dealers, Price 50 cts. Mailed by Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y. Sole agents for the U. S. Remember the name Doan's and take no substitute.

CONNECTION MADE.

By the Commercial Company With Another Telephone Line in Blair County.

On Monday afternoon the Central Commercial Telephone Company of this place made connection with the Tyrone and Altoona Exchanges. The towns that can be communicated with from the Altoona exchange are Bellwood, Hollidaysburg, East Freedom, Newry, Roaring Springs, McKee's Gap, Martinsburg and Duncansville. A very low price will be charged to connect with the Tyrone and Altoona exchanges.

Wanamaker's New Store.

The Cambria Steel company, in common with the other large concerns manufacturing structural steel in the United States, has been asked to bid on the steel frame work for John Wanamaker's new store in Philadelphia. The proposed building is to be ten stories high and will require thirty-four million pounds of steel, which will cost, delivered at Philadelphia and put in place, in the neighborhood of $1,300,000.

Mr. Wanamaker wants to stipulate in his contract that if the market price of structural building material shall fall below the bid which he accepts before the material is delivered he is to have the benefit of the difference, but it is scarcely likely that the steel manufacturers will accept such terms.

Will be the Largest.

The annual encampment of the Department of Pennsylvania, G. A. R., to be held at Gettysburg from June 4 to 6, will be the largest attended in many years. It is expected that every one of 600 posts in the state will send delegates and that many G. A. R. men besides will attend.

The amount of national bank stock held by women in America is estimated at $130,000,000 and the amount of private and State bank stock at $137,000,000.

REBERSBURG ITEMS.

The Robins have made their appearance, thus reminding one of Spring.

Nothing has been done about making a change in the heating apparatus of our School building, which is highly important, and should receive immediate attention, why does not the old board put forth strenuous efforts and thus have the honor?

J. R. Brungarts sale was largely attended on Saturday, articles bringing a good price. The auctioneer H. H. Miller has accredited himself as becoming an expert.

T. J. Ocker killed his horse one day last week. The animal became overheated and then took Lockjaw.

J. P. Frank can now boast of having the finest horse in town.

Gramleys school house took fire on Saturday, from flying cinders of a passing traction engine, but was discovered in time, and after some difficulty was extinguished.

What this town most needs, is a revolution in walks. Strangers wrench ankles, splash clothing by loose stones; tear soles off of shoes; tramp on their wrists; smash fingers, break limbs, thus committing actual suicide, daily by walking such pavements, (if they dare be thus termed,) why not build walks that are decent to walk upon?

N. H. Leitzell has left for Tyrone where he expects to work at his trade.

Mr. Harmon of Susquehanna College Selinsgrove Pa. preached an excellent sermon Sunday morning.

Last Sunday morning the Lutheran congregation at Rebersburg, had the pleasure of listeningto a very eloquent Sermon delivered by Rev C. B. Harmon, Theological Student at Susquehanna Seminary. His interesting and instructive discourse, in which he manifested his fitness for his noble calling, together with his gentlemanly, demeanor have created for him a host of friends in our midst. As a young man about to launch out into life we wish him abundant success and bespeak for him a bright future.

MILLHEIM ITEMS.

The horse sale on last Thursday of Gramley and Caldwell was well attended, and the bidding was quite spirited at times. This was the finest load of horses that have been sold in our market. The average price was $134.86 the highest average in the county this season. One team was bought for $350.00. This was a fair sale no underbidders and no horse sold before the sale, and then put up and run up to a high price to make a good average.

Reed and Resser of Pery, Iowa, will offer a car load of good horses on the 26th. They need no introduction to the public as this will make the 13th sale that they have had in this borough.

The following bought horses at the sale Seymour Winkleblech 2, D. D. Royer 2, J. R. Schrack 2, Jacob Gephart 1, J. R. Porter 1, R. E. Harter 1, W. P. Breon 1, Jacob Everett 1. James P. Frank 1, J. R. Corman 1, J. C. Heckman 1, and W. H. Bohn 1.

Rev. M. J. Jamison, of Baltimore, was in town last week, a day or two. He had been attending the U. Ev. Conference at Williamsport.

John Burns and wife, after an enjoyable visit here for one week, left for their home in Shamokin on Friday.

George H. Scheckler and son Sinn, passed through town on their way to Spring Mills where they gave two of their entertainments on Friday and Saturday evenings.

W. F. Smith was the auctioneer at the horse sale last week.

Look out for a startling sensation which is maturing fast.

Dr. J. F. Harter and wife of State College, drove down from that place last Saturday, and returned on Monday.

Noah Eby, the distiller of the celebrated "Eby" whiskey, of Woodward was in town last Saturday.

The Burgess and Town Council, will at once take steps to abate the nuisance of playing ball on the streets, which is very dangerous to pedestrians. There are some young men in this town, that think they can do as they desire, and violate the ordinances with impunity bicycle riding on the sidewalks, and drunkenness on the streets will also receive their attention. So the violaters better look out, for they are determined to enforce the ordinances pretaining to these matters.

Miss Maud Woomer of Bellefonte was visiting in town for a few days, and was the guest of Miss Bessie Noll on Main St.

Quite a fall of snow on Sunday afternoon.

W. B. Chamberlain of Milton and F. M. Dunkle of Lewisburg, traveling salesmen registered at the National Hotel on Monday

The borough auditors met on Monday to settle the accounts of the Burgess, Tax Collector, Treasurer and O. of Poor.

Building and Loan association met in their rooms in regular monthly meeting on last Monday evening.

A wedding will take place here in the near future. The house has been rented, and no doubt will be furnished before the knot is tied.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION.

Program of the County Association to Meet in Centre Hall.

The annual convention of the Centre County Sunday School Association, will meet in the United Evangelical church, Centre Hall, on Tuesday, March 20th. The following program has been prepared for the occasion:

MORNING SESSION.

Devotional Service, conducted by Rev. W. W. Rhoads, Centre Hall.

Address of welcome, Rev. J. M. Rearick, Centre Hall.

Response, C. M. Bower, Esq., Bellefonte.

Conference—Home Department Starting, Rev. Charles Roads, D. D. General State Secretary.

Report of the President.

Appointment of Committees. Business.

Address—"Right Beginnings," Mrs. J. W. Barnes, Supt. Primary Work of the State Association.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Devotional Service, Rev. G. W. Kerschner, Centre Hall.

A Symposium of Short Addresses on Practical Topics—(15 minutes each,) The Proper Use of Proper Helps, Rev. A. A. Black, Boalsburg.

Missionary Work in the Sunday School, Rev. D. M. Wolf, Spring Mills.

Building Up the Sabbath School, Rev. D. T. Helper, Lemont.

The Adult Bible Class, W. A. Murray, Esq., Boalsburg.

Conference—The Normal Class and Progress, Rev. Chas. Roads, D. D.

Address—"Home Co-operation and How to Secure It," Mrs. J. W. Barnes.

A Scripture Exercise, by classes from the several Sunday schools of Centre Hall, arranged by Rev. R. Crittenden, of Bellefonte.

Election of Officers. Business.

EVENING SESSION.

Devotion and Song, Rev. Chilcota, Spring Mills.

Address—"Teach the Little Ones to Pray," Mrs. J. W. Barnes.

Address—"The Parents Place in the S. S." Rev. Chas. Roads, D. D.

The music of the convention will be in charge of Prof. E. W. Crawford, of Centre Hall. The program will be interspersed at intervals with music, prayer and offerings.

A Chloroform Fiend.

Michael Bacon, a chloroform fiend, was arrested and placed in jail at Lock Haven Thursday evening. The Lock Haven *Democrat* says:

"He struck this city several weeks ago and secured employment at the Irvin house. Last week he worked for Aaron Kyler, at the Central hotel. The man did his work satisfactorily, but complained about not feeling well. He would frequently ask the men around the hotel for small sums of money, giving as an excuse for the request that he wanted to purchase medicine. Mr. Kyler noticed that the longer he was around the hotel the more pronounced became his complaints. Yesterday at different times Bacon was noticed holding a handkerchief to his nose and inhaling something with great satisfaction. As he drew more copious inhalations the more he would assume the appearance of a man who was in a stupor. Finally Mr Kyler took the handkerchief from Bacon and also a bottle which he had in his hand. The bottle was about one-third full of chloroform. A physician was summoned, who stated that Bacon was a chloroform fiend. Bacon afterwards begged piteously for the bottle, stating that he could not get along without it, as he had been accustomed to its use for a long time. Fearing that the man might commit suicide, he was given in charge of Chief Nitcschie.

A Cruel Act.

"Quite a number of our citizens were grossly indignant Friday over an unwonted act of cruelty practiced on a dumb beast in this place. John Lower was the owner of a horse for several years which was of a balky disposition, and on the above day was hauling cinder in the vicinity of the electric light plant. The animal got into one of his balky spells, and refused to move. While waiting for the animal to change its tactics a stranger appeared on the scene, and after expatiating on how he usually induced a balky horse to move, proceeded to illustrate. Taking a piece of lace leather he made a slip noose which was passed over the animal's tongue, the idea being to draw the cord tight on the tongue and distract the animal's attention. Before any one could realize what had happened, the animal gave a hard jerk upwards with his head and the light leather cord cut through the tongue like a knife, severing some three or four inches of that member. The act was so quickly done that it was hard to realize its effect. Deploring the maiming of the poor beast, and realizing the misery the animal must be in, its owner had the beast taken out next day and shot."

The above is from the Huntingdon News. There is need for a humane society down there.

—Mrs. Ellen J. Fordney, widow of the late Col. W. B. Fordney, died at her home in Lancaster Monday night aged 87 years. She was one of the most distinguished women in that community and a daughter of William Jenkins, a prominent iron master. Deceased was the grandmother of Col. W. Fred Reynolds of this place.

LUMBERING WITH AUTOS.

Logs Hauled Long Distances With Self-Propelling Sleds.

A new use for the automobile has arisen in the vast Minnesota forests that supply the country with white pine. One of the large lumber companies has been experimenting the last two years with a design for a sleds that should propel itself and haul a load over the ice and snow roads of the forests, and it has this winter succeeded in making a sled that goes.

It is a locomotive on runners, and the power of the engine is applied to two drums, one at each end of the sled. These drums are fitted with sharp teeth, about two inches long, that stud the surface as pins the cylinder of a music box. These drums revolve and traction is gained by the sticking of the teeth into the ice and packed snow of the roads.

So far this winter one automobile of this make has hauled 5,000,000 feet of logs for an average distance of five miles, and the average load of the machine is from 40,000 to 60,000 feet of logs. The sleds pulled by the locomotive are coupled together like the cars of a train, and all track perfectly, the runners of the following sleds never getting out of line with those of the power sled.

The haul is over an ice road a road made through the forests by sprinkling water over the route and permitting it to freeze, when ruts are cut for the runners. It is expected that this form of sled, when fully perfected, will come into general use in the northern Minnesota forests.

A Well Deserved Promotion.

It is reported that Edward Rine, son of Charles Rine of this place, has been appointed agent for the Adams Express Company at Punxsutawney. He received word Tuesday afternoon from the route agent in charge of this district to report at Punxsutawney at once for duty. If the report is true and we understand it is, it is a well deserved reward to a faithful and energetic employee who by his own unaided pluck and determined efforts has won for himself this mark of appreciation and confidence on the part of the company. Mr. Rine worked for the company at Punxsutawney as driver from last June until this winter when he was transferred to this place, so that the field is not new to him. We have no doubt that his ability to hustle will win for him abundant success in his new position.

Mr Rine has been succeeded by John T. Laurie, as driver for the Adams Express company at this place, and as John also has qualities about him that go to make up a hustler, we have no doubt he to will be a success.

A Tramps Peculiar Accident.

Tuesday's Philipsburg Journal says: This morning a tramp called on Capt. Harry Simler and told him that a man who had traveled with him had been badly burned during the night in the woods just beyond the tannery, where a party of three of them had built a fire and encamped for the night. He went to the place, and found the man lying on his back on the ground in a deplorable condition, with his breast and other parts of his body badly burned. Capt. Simler went to the hospital and notified the superintendent, who dispatched the ambulance after the unfortunate man. He gave his name as Alfred Lyons, of Scranton, and is aged perhaps 55 years. His condition is thought to be rather critical. Just how the misfortune occurred could not be ascertained, but it is supposed with the others he had been drinking and came in contact with the fire, with the result as indicated.

Bituminous Miners' Scale.

A dispatch from Altoona, under date of March 12 says: Delegates representing 25,000 miners in District No. 2, of the bituminous coal district will meet here tomorrow is annual convention. The district includes the counties of Tioga, Lycoming, Elk, Jefferson, Clearfield, Centre, Indiana, Cambria, Blair, Huntingdon, Bedford, Westmoreland, Armstrong, Carbon and Somerset. The delegates of this district will hold a joint convention with representatives of the 8000 miners in the Maryland district, at which a wage scale will be formulated. It is likely that 60 cents per ton for pick mining and an eight hour day will be demanded. Thursday the miners will meet the operators in joint session to discuss the new scale.

Said one delegate tonight: "I am in no position to say what the scale will be, but the miners will stand by the scale adopted at the Central Pennsylvania-Maryland conference. We are now in better position to enforce a scale than ever before."

Death of Engineer Priest.

John H. Priest, the well known engineer on the Bald Eagle valley railroad, died at his home in Tyrone Monday, after an illness of several months of dropsy and fatty degeneration of the heart. He was in his 54th year. He is survived by his wife and two sons. He was an old soldier and a member of the M. E. church. Funeral Wednesday afternoon. Services at Tyrone, interment at Philipsburg.

For Sidepath Commissioners.

The board of sidepath commissioners, of Lycoming county, have invited all the sidepath commissioners in the state to meet them in convention at Williamsport, Tuesday, May 15. The object of the convention is to discuss and formulate plans for the futherance of bicycle path construction.

She could not sing the old, old songs—
So far all's well and good—
Nor could she sing the new ones;
But, alas! she thought she could.

—Some people are like telephone wires because they are constantly being talked over.

—It is easy enough for the French caricaturists to make Queen Victoria look ugly, but by no stretch of imagination can they make Oom Paul look pretty.

—Drunkenness is the cause of 14 per cent. of cases of insanity in England and 12 out of every 100 suicides. In England 1,082 die yearly of drink, in Scotland 230; in Ireland, 280.

—In the published list of pensions issued at Washington on Tuesday appears the name of John P. Meckley, of Bellefonte who was granted an increase from $12 to $17 per month.

—Clearfield County built more school houses during the year ending June 30, 1899, than any other county in the state with the single exception of Westmoreland, which erected 18 to Clearfield's 17.

—A number of our young colored folks indulged in the pleasure of a straw ride on Tuesday evening to the home of George Grimes near Unionville where a cordial reception and an enjoyable entertainment was given them by their hosts.

—Howard Spangler, formerly of Bellefonte, now in the Johnstown hospital, we are pleased to note, is on a fair way to recover from the effects of the amputation of an arm, foot and some fingers, having been caught and frozen in a blizzard some weeks ago.

—No business can be successfully founded or continued without the aid of advertising, Good and convincing advertising is as essential to the winning of business success as a fresh and desirable stock of commodities in the store. It makes the merchant and his goods known, and brings purchasers to his establishment.

—There will be a literary and musical entertainment held in the Presbyterian church at Unionville, Saturday evening, March 24th. The public is cordially invited to attend and a rare treat is assured them as the people of Unionville never do things by halves. The proceeds are for the benefit of the Presbyterian church of that place.

—Senator Hoar, of Massachusetts, has introduced a bill into the Senate of the United States, which, if it becomes a law, will prohibit the importation into the United States of birds, feathers or parts of birds for ornamental purposes, but birds for food and for museums, zoological gardens or scientific collections, are permitted to be imported, as well as living birds, whose feathers can be removed, or feathers taken from the living birds, without injury to the same. The second section of the bill provides that there shall be no transportation of birds, feathers or parts of birds to be used or sold except as mentioned in the first section of the act from any State or Territory of the United States, to or through any State or Territory of the United States. The bill in many respects is a good one. The destruction of birds solely in order to procure their feathers for ornamental purposes has become so great that if it continues many years longer at the rate at which it is now going on many of the species will soon become extinct.

It's a Woman This Time.

A feminine fakir is victimizing dressmakers in neighboring counties by calling on them and announcing that she is deputy factory inspector, and that she is collecting a three dollar tax which has recently been imposed by the state. The game has been successfully worked in some sections, and the woman is still at large and may come this way.

Considerable Falling Off.

A man who has kept account of the number of kisses exchanged with his wife during their union consents to its publication, as follows: First year, 36,500; second year, 16,000; third year, 3,650; fourth year, 120; fifth year 2. He then left off keeping the record.

Against Eloping Couples.

A bill providing that no marriage shall be legal without a properly acknowledged marriage license has been introduced in the New York legislature. Should the bill become a law, parties from this section who go to that state to avoid taking out license will have to "go to Jersey" or take out the necessary papers.

In Germany an editor was sent to jail for "making exaggerated statements". What would become of our yellow journalists if they lived in Germany.

AUDITOR'S NOTICE.—Graham M. Meadville, Trustee, now to use of S. H. Parsons, vs. Joseph Baird, et al.—In the Court of Common Pleas of Centre County, Pa. Judgment No. 61 August Term, 1899. Fi. Fa. No. 42 January Term, 1900.

The undersigned, an Auditor appointed by the above named Court to make distribution of the funds in his hands arising from the sale of defendant's real estate to and among those legally entitled thereto, will attend to the duties of his appointment on WEDNESDAY, APRIL 11th, 1900, at 10 o'clock a. m., at his office, No. 19 West High street, Bellefonte, Pa., when and where all persons who have any claim against said fund may attend and prove said claim or be forever barred.

EDMUND BLANCHARD,
March 15, 1900.—3t Auditor.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.—Letters of Administration on the estate of Joseph Newman, late of Bellefonte Borough, deceased, having been granted by the Register of Wills of Centre county, to the undersigned, all persons knowing themselves to be indebted to the said estate are requested to make immediate payment and those having claims to present them duly authenticated for settlement.

HANNAH NEWMAN, Adm'x,
HARRY KELLER, Att'y.
Bellefonte, Pa. m8-6t.

A Letter Of Recommendation.

BY HOWARD FIELDING.

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I suppose that if Miss Alice Walton were leaving my employ in ordinary circumstances I should write her a letter of recommendation. What should I say in it? How should I best testify my appreciation of her services?

I couldn't say she was a good stenographer, for she wasn't. I should have to admit that she could get as many extraordinary errors into a letter as any typewriter could hope to do. As for business judgment in the management of my office, I am afraid that honestly I couldn't praise her highly. Perhaps the best way would be to tell the exact truth about her coming, her work with me and her severance of the connection.

She came in answer to an advertisement in a newspaper. I remember that my first impression was that she would be a pleasant person to have in the office. She was a sweet faced girl, obviously well bred and neither overanxious nor lacking in interest as she talked with me about the prospective employment.

She confessed with the most cheerful frankness that she had had no experience in actual work, but had learned stenography from a book and typewriting with a borrowed instrument. My advertisement had demanded in the most explicit terms an experienced person, but this did not appear to trouble Miss Walton. She set it aside with a smile, as if it were a trivial detail.

I dictated a business letter of about 200 words to her, and she managed to take it down, but I observed that she supplemented the usual stenographic symbols with long hand abbreviations of a most unique appearance. However, she wrote the letter neatly upon the typewriter, and after a glance at it I agreed to give her a week's trial. When she had left the office, I looked at the letter again and discovered that Miss Walton had omitted the one salient sentence which made the communication intelligible. Had it been an actual message I think my correspondent would have been at a loss to know why I had addressed him at all.

This was rather discouraging. I drew Miss Walton's attention to her error when she reported for duty the next morning, and she blamed herself heartily, but she was not at all depressed.

"I am so glad," said she, "that it wasn't a real letter."

I regret to state that several mistakes of equal magnitude crept into real letters within the week. It became painfully obvious that Miss Walton was not a stenographer and that her knowledge of business entitled her to rank next below David Copperfield's Dora. I decided that Miss Walton and I should probably part in the near future.

My business at that time was in a very critical condition, and I was correspondingly depressed. Indeed, there was an atmosphere of gloom over all my little establishment. My office boy and mailing clerk fitted nicely into the general woe. Two more melancholy youths were never thrown together by the chances of this life. Harry Baldwin of King & Baldwin, a firm in whose debt I had been from the beginning of my career, used to call my boys the "blue devils," and he advised me to get rid of them in the interest of cheerfulness.

Baldwin himself was a handsome, manly, cheerful fellow, always well dressed and with a pocketful of money.

We could have been great friends but for this infernal yellow microbe of money. And, as to that, Baldwin had done everything that I could reasonably ask and more, but the time was coming when he would have to take some decisive action, and that meant ruin to me.

Baldwin came in to see me early one morning shortly after I had engaged Miss Walton to work for me. That young lady had not arrived, though it was time for her to come, and Baldwin and I had the inner office to ourselves. I hope I may never go through another quarter of an hour like that one. These cheerful fellows are the worst of all when they really get serious. Baldwin felt badly for me, there's no doubt of it, but he had made up his mind what to do, and nothing could shake him. We talked it over till the gloom was positively solid in the room.

Just then Miss Walton came in. I had mentioned her failure to Baldwin early in the conversation, and he looked at her with some attention when she appeared.

"I'm very late," she said, "but I really couldn't help it. I've had a little accident."

She turned her right side toward me, and I saw that the sleeve of her dress had been torn from the shoulder and ripped in the seams. It was ingeniously fastened with pins.

"I was on a trolley car," she continued, "and it ran into a great wagon loaded with iron. We were thrown around like dice in a box, and my arm was caught in one of the seats as I plunged forward, but not a single passenger in the car was hurt except me. Wasn't that lucky?"

SUDDENLY I SAW HER SWAY IN HER CHAIR.

This view struck Baldwin and me as somewhat original, and we both laughed at the idea of the only victim applauding fate. I asked Miss Walton how much injury she had sustained, and she said, with a little laugh, that she guessed her arm would be black and blue. She ridiculed the idea of having a doctor look at it or of allowing it to interfere in any way with her work, and she used, in speaking of her mishap, such comical expressions that in two minutes we were all laughing together.

"Do you mean to tell me that you're going to let that girl go?" whispered Baldwin to me when Miss Walton had begun work upon some letters left over from the day before. "Why, her nerve alone is worth her salary!"

"I shan't have anything left to pay her salary with," I replied, with the ghost of a smile.

"Oh, brace up!" said he. "Look at the thing a little more cheerfully. Take a leaf out of her book," and he nodded toward Miss Walton. "I'll tell you what I'll do," he continued, and then, to my surprise, he outlined a plan of settlement so liberal and yet so shrewdly businesslike that it made me gasp. He confessed to me long afterward that it was a sudden inspiration and that he had never before seen that way out of the difficulty. To me it was like a plank to a drowning man.

He took a corner of my desk and began to set down the terms of our agreement with great particularity. While he was thus engaged Miss Walton handed me the letters upon which she had been at work. They were even worse than the average. I passed one of them to Baldwin when he looked up from his task for a minute. It contained the extraordinary statement to a possible customer that he could get the goods anywhere in the market at prices under those that I had quoted. The omission of a negative had made considerable difference in the meaning. Baldwin looked almost sad as he returned the letter to me.

"Miss Walton," said he, "if I dictate something to you can you take it on the machine?"

She looked over her shoulder with a sunny smile and replied that she should be delighted to oblige him. Accordingly he began to dictate from his memoranda and she to write. She was even slower and more awkward with the machine than I had ever before known her to be, and I watched her with that painful sensation that one feels when an amateur musician is "doing his best."

Suddenly I saw her sway in the chair. I leaped to my feet, but Baldwin was quicker. He caught her just as she would have fallen.

"Jack," said he to me with deadly calm, "we are fools and brutes. We have let this child torture herself before our eyes."

As for myself, I was speechless. Shame choked me.

"Send one of the 'blue devils' for a doctor!" he cried.

"Oh, how perfectly funny!" said Miss Walton, and she laughed feebly. "It's an awful name for them, but it suits them so much better than anything they can possibly have been christened."

The doctor insisted on having a look at her arm, however, and she bared it for him much more easily than she might otherwise have done since the sleeve detached itself on the removal of a few pins. She was kind enough to say that Baldwin and I need not go away, and so we saw the roundest and most perfect arm in the world, with a cruel bruise all along the side of it. He looked at me and I at him, and we silently voted ourselves beyond pardon.

I sent Miss Walton home, though she would willingly have remained. She was back again next day, smiling and happy, with her arm so stiff that she could hardly move it. She insisted upon doing some kind of work, however, so I let her superintend the labors of the "blue devils," who at the end of the day deserved their name no longer, having been totally unable to resist her influence.

That influence began to be felt in another quarter before many days were over. Baldwin, who acquired the habit of dropping in as often as he had in old days, said that the change in me was worth $5,000 a year in my business.

"You're not an undertaker, you know, old man," said he, "and people don't like to see you act like one. In times like these it's money in your pocket to look cheerful. It's an advertisement. It makes you conspicuous."

Perhaps it was my better spirits, or it may have been only chance, but at any rate my business began to improve. I began to work more efficiently. I liked to be in my office and to be busy there.

Conditions presently were so much better that I was able to engage "an assistant" for Miss Walton. I found a girl who really knew something about stenography, typewriting and business, and then I advanced Miss Walton's salary and made her head of the department. It was more or less of a joke, but Baldwin, who is a good business man, approved of it highly. I saw a great deal of him during the next eight or ten months, and the reason was only too obvious. He used to call at her house, too, and he told me some things that I never would have learned from her.

She and her mother and little sister were the family, and they had not a penny except Alice's earnings. They had lost all a few months before I first saw Alice, and on that day when the light of her unconquerable cheerfulness first dawned upon me they were absolutely without resources, even lacking the means for getting proper food. The picture makes me shudder. Suppose that I had sent her away upon the weary round of seeking for employment that she had traveled day after day in weariness and discouragement—no, not the last, for she was incapable of it.

I couldn't bear to think of it, and there was another thought that pained me in those days. I felt that I must lose her. It was easy to see that Baldwin's affections were deeply engaged. Well, it would be a splendid match for her—a rich, handsome, splendid fellow like Baldwin. I tried to feel like a Christian about it.

One day not long ago he came into my office early. Again, as on that first day, Alice was late.

"I've come to say goodby, old man," said he. "I'm going abroad and may be gone—I don't know how long, years perhaps."

"In heaven's name," I cried, "what is the meaning of this?"

Just then Alice came in. Baldwin turned toward her, bowed with the gentlest deference imaginable and then hastily left the room.

I closed the door after him, cutting off the observation of the "ex-blue devils." Alice was trembling as I turned to her.

"Has it gone so far?" I said. "Have you really rejected this man? But it's none of my business. Don't say anything. The words were out of my mouth before I could stop them."

"There is no use concealing it," said she. "I couldn't anyway from you. I admire and respect Mr. Baldwin, but I do not love him."

"Your heart is no longer your own!" I cried, moved by something in her voice.

She smiled through tears at me, and then for the very first moment in our acquaintance I had a gleam of hope. I said what was in my heart as well as I could, and she replied as I had no right ever to dream that such a woman could speak to me.

So our relations are to be reversed. I am to serve her all the rest of our lives. Can I help her as she has helped me? I am afraid it is not in me, but I can try.

New Champion.

The Pug—I know I ain't been able to git a battle on fer eight months, but you bet I'll be champeen yet.

Backer—Yes, if this keeps up, you will be the champion long wait fighter of the world.—Indianapolis Journal.

All Alike to Him.

Tonsorial Artist—I am using a new kind of shaving soap. Most of the gentlemen that get shaved here say it's the best I've ever had.

Customer—Well, that's merely a matter of taste.—Chicago Tribune.

THE UNPUBLISHED SCOOP

BY FRANK L. POLLOCK.

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As I entered the city editor's room of The Daily Comet I met Charlie Macon, the city editor, escorting Mr. Morton Pulkingham very deferentially to the outer door. Mr. Pulkingham was the owner of The Comet, a rather tall, slender, middle aged man of exceeding dignity, with a grayish pointed beard and a high forehead that crept up over the top of his skull. He was making a paying thing out of the paper, though he was hampered by conservative ideas in journalism. He fought continual battles with Macon on the subject of "scare heads" and sensations, which were abominations unto him, and he was suspected of cherishing sentiments on the moral influence of the press. He was also the president of the ill starred Marblehead Investment company, and the sensational failure of that concern had affected him seriously.

The Marblehead Investment company was supposed to be the safest and solidest company in the United States and its capital figured as $15,500,000. On June 17 the treasurer, Mr. Millner, requested a week's vacation and left, it was understood, for the White mountains. On the 19th came news of a peculiar suicide in a hotel in Toronto. An hour later New York was startled with the discovery that the dead man was the holidaying treasurer.

At once, but without ostentation, the books of the company were overhauled by an expert, with the most cataclysmal revelations imaginable. The company was literally like a squeezed lemon. For two years the books had been systematically falsified with the most infernal ingenuity and the company plundered by degrees till at last only a delusive show of assets on paper flitted through the tangled figures. Nearly $750,000 in cash was missing. Twice a year the books were supposed to be audited, but this must have been a farce, for the false entries were allowed to pass. No one but the treasurer could have "fixed" the accounts, and they were all in his handwriting—the dishonest ones at least. Moreover, his suicide was now explained and fell into an everyday category only redeemed from the commonplace by the magnitude of the interests involved. As no considerable sums were found in his possession, it was probable that he had lost it all in unlucky speculations and had taken the shortest way out.

The panic on the market when the great company's stock gradually slid down to zero will not soon be forgotten. No one ever counted the number of small concerns that went down with it. They were as the sands of the sea. Mr. Pulkingham was one of the largest shareholders, besides being personally responsible, and it was clear that he would be able to keep his feet only by the utmost efforts. But the most staggering feature of all has never yet been published.

I was detailed to write up the case for The Comet, and, among other investigations, I tried to find out where the embezzled money had gone. I could not find a clew. There was no trace of investments or speculations. The dead treasurer seemed to have lived a life that was quiet and well regulated to the last degree. I found it necessary to suppose that he had actually saved up his plunder and taken it away with him. But where did it go after his death, and why did he feel it necessary to commit suicide?

It took me a couple of days to evolve my own theory of murder and robbery, and even then it was but the vaguest hypothesis. But I knew that if we could substantiate it it would be the biggest sensational "scoop" that ever was, and Charlie Macon agreed with me. I left for Toronto on the 20th, and next day I was examining the little hotel on College street and hearing the clerk's story of the tragedy.

Mr. Millner had come there at 7 o'clock in the evening and had been assigned to No. 18, on the third floor. His only baggage was two large valises. Next morning he made no appearance, and his door remained locked until noon, when it was forced, after many rappings. Millner was lying across the bed in his nightshirt, stone dead, with a half emptied bottle labeled "Hydrocyanic Acid" lying on the counterpane by his hand. A post mortem was held, and the coroner's inquest resulted in a verdict of suicide by prussic acid. The poison seemed to have been administered in alcohol. The body was taken back to New York for burial.

If it was murder, some one must have entered the chamber during the night, poisoned the treasurer, probably with a drink of liquor, looked for and found the money and retreated as he had come. Furthermore, if it were true that Millner drank with him, it is probable that the men were acquainted. At any rate, the murderer was aware of the treasurer's flight and its object.

Now, the bedroom door was found locked on the inside, with the key in the lock, and the window was 30 feet above the ground, but I was struck by the fact that a man might have come down from some room above by the fire escape, which passed the window of No. 18. There were two floors above, and I examined the register to find who had occupied rooms adjacent to the fire escape on the night of the tragedy. Only one of these apartments, I found, had been tenanted, and that by a man who registered "J. R. Goebel, Baltimore." The clerk described this man as a stout, elderly man, with a white, military mustache and long gray hair. He had not been observed to hold any communication with Millner, and he left the hotel at 10 o'clock, before the body was discovered. The clew was so slight that I was rapidly coming to despair—till I found the cigar case.

It was in a little, weedy area just beneath the fire escape. A heavy thunderstorm during the night had cooled the air, and I walked on the sidewalk before the hotel with an after breakfast cigar. It was then that I noticed a red gleam among the dripping herbage in the area. I reached through the fence and pulled the thing out. It was a handsome red morocco cigar case, with silver mountings, but much damaged by the weather. Inside were two peculiar prism shaped cigars, soaked and sodden, and a scrap of illegible writing. I showed my find to the clerk, and, to my surprise, he displayed considerable interest.

"If it has two three cornered cigars in it," he said, "I think I know whom it belongs to."

"I has," I replied. "But who"—

"Gentleman here a week ago, a Mr. Goebel. He wrote to us yesterday saying that he had lost his cigar case and wanting us to send it to him in New York. We answered that we hadn't seen it, but if we found it we'd send it. Here's his letter."

I read it. It was typewritten, but the signature was the same as that in the hotel register. The cigar case was described exactly.

"That's all right," I said. "Did he give you an address in New York?"

"No. He just asked us to send it by the Dominion Express company, and he would call for it. He said he valued it very highly."

I had no sort of evidence against Goebel, but he was the only man who fitted into my hypothesis, and I determined to see him at any rate. I left Toronto that afternoon, and next morning I talked over the situation with Charlie Macon in The Comet rooms.

"Seems pretty hazy," he said doubtfully. "As nearly as I can make out, your idea is"—

"That this man Goebel was Millner's confederate or backer all through the last two years. It stands to reason that he must have had some sort of powerful help or he never could have evaded the semiyearly auditings. Goebel and Millner were probably skipping together, very likely for Central America. Goebel came down by the window and the fire escape to visit his 'pal,' poisoned him with a drink of whisky, collared the money and went back. After he got back to New York he discovered the loss of the cigar case and began to worry about it, but he waited till the thing seemed to have blown over. Then he wrote to the hotel, and he is waiting for it now, very anxious to get it back into his own hands again. I'll wait in the express office, and when he comes to get the package I'll follow him up."

The editor shook his head. "I'm afraid this Sherlock Holmes business won't go," he said. "I'll go with you, though, and we'll see the man anyway."

The cigar case would arrive at the office about 10 o'clock, and we did not anticipate that the man would be late in coming. At 10:15 we were in a quiet corner of the large office, and for a half hour we scanned the face of every man who entered.

The half hour slipped into an hour before our man made his appearance. I recognized him at once from the clerk's description—the heavy figure, the bristling white mustache and the white hair—and there was something inexpressibly familiar about his whole appearance which I could not define. He carried a brown leather bag in his hand, and after receiving the packet at the wicket he left the office without so much as glancing in our direction.

We followed him till he suddenly entered a little hotel near Third avenue. We looked at the register. The ink was scarcely dry on the signature "L. J. Ashlie, Boston," and the handwriting was the same as that in the Toronto register. He was put down for room No. 37, and Charlie and I at once registered and got ourselves assigned to No. 38, next door. His door was shut when we entered No. 38, and we sat down nervously upon the bed, waiting and listening and afraid to speak. We could hear Goebel, or Ashlie, moving about on the other side of the partition, heard the click of his closing valise and then a splashing as if he were washing his hands, then a long silence.

We waited for several minutes, and Charlie was beginning to grumble in a whisper when the next door opened suddenly and we heard our man go out. We hurried out into the corridor and stopped in perplexity. The door of No. 37 stood wide open, and there was no one in the room. Down the hall a man was walking rapidly toward the stairway, but it was not the man we had shadowed. This was a tall, slender individual, with black hair showing under his hat brim. Yet I felt that I knew that dignified back and that erect figure, and instinctively we both ran after the man, overtaking him just as he set foot upon the topmost stair. He turned squarely and faced us, and I saw his cheeks turn as pale as ashes, though he made no sign of recognition.

I SAW HIS CHEEKS TURN PALE AS ASHES.

It is Mr. Pulkingham, our owner, without a doubt. We must have turned as pale as he did, and for five breaths we stood there in tableau, like a trio of detected criminals. What Charlie thought of I do not know. My own meditations were too mixed to write. Then the end came suddenly.

Mr. Pulkingham turned and made a blind step to descend. His foot slipped or tripped, I don't know how, and in a flash he plunged headlong forward, and his forehead struck the edge of a step 12 feet lower with a ghastly crash. The body toppled limply down the rest of the flight and lay motionless.

Charlie and I identified him, and he was sent home, where he died next day without ever regaining consciousness. The brown bag was sent home with him, unopened, but I am much mistaken if it did not contain a gray wig, a false white mustache and a good deal of padding. At any rate, his executors were considerably surprised to find in a small safe at his house somewhat more than $600,000 in cold cash, which went a considerable way toward relieving the distress of the shareholders of the company. We were right. It was the greatest sensational story of the decade, but Charlie and I had it all to ourselves, for, as was obviously right, it never appeared in print.

Serious Mistake.

"The worst enemy I ever made," said the statesman, "was the man I got a government job for a few years ago."

"What ingratitude!"

"No, it was downright anger. There was a good salary attached, but he had to work."—Indianapolis Journal.

Not Strong Minded.

"Your wife, I believe, is a strong minded woman?"

"Oh, I don't know. I should rather regard her as brittle minded."

"Brittle minded?"

"Yes; she's been giving me pieces of her mind for several years."—Chicago Post.

900 DROPS

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25th Annual Meeting of the W. F. M. S. of Huntingdon Presbytery.

HELD IN THE PRESBYTERIAN CHAPEL

Over One Hundred Delegates in Attendance From the Fifty-one Churches Representing Seven Counties Composing the Huntingdon Presbytery.

POPULAR RALLY FOR MISSIONS

The twenty-fifth annual meeting of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Huntingdon Presbytery convened in the Presbyterian chapel at this place Wednesday, March 7th, at 2.15 p. m. About one hundred delegates were in attendance representing woman's work in the interest of Foreign Missions in fifty-one churches of the Presbytery which includes the counties of Clearfield, Bedford, Blair, Huntingdon, Mifflin, Juniata and Centre, having seventy-one churches within its bounds.

The Presbyterial officers are: President, Miss S. R. Lowrie, of Warriorsmark; Vice President-at-large, Mrs. N. D. Orbison, of Bellefonte; Recording Secretary, Mrs. M. H. Wilson, of Bellefonte, Cor. Secretary, Miss. C. W. Stewart, of Spruce Creek; Secretaries of Young People's societies and bands, Misses Anna Fisher and Mary C. Speer, of Huntingdon; Secretary of Literature, Miss L Blanche Miller, of Tyrone; Treasurer, Miss S. D Morrow, of Tyrone.

Miss S. R. Lowrie, the president of the society presided at the sessions. The devotional service at 2:15 was led by Mrs. D. *H.* Freeman, of Huntingdon. Cor. Secretary, Miss C. *W.* Stewart, called the roll of delegates and officers after which a greeting of welcome on the part of the Bellefonte organization was tendered by *Miss* Anna H. Hoy, which was responded to by *Mrs.* H. *M.* Baldridge, of Hollidaysburg This was followed by the reading of the minutes and the appointment of the committees by the President.

The remainder of the afternoon was devoted to the work of the young people's societies and was in charge of the *Misses* Anna Fisher and *Mary* C. Speer of Huntingdon. Following the opening exercises *Misses* Fisher and Speer, who are the secretaries of the societies, gave detailed reports of the work for the year.

Mrs. Ellis L. Orvis, of Bellefonte, then rendered a beautiful solo, after which twenty minutes was devoted to a conference on young people's work. The principle talk of the afternoon was delivered by Mrs. J. L. Potter, missionary to Persia, and then came adjournment.

Wednesday evening a popular rally for foreign missions was held in the Presbyterian church which was crowded on this occasion with an interested audience. Gen James A. Beaver presided, and Dr. William Laurie conducted a Scripture reading and prayer. The music for the occasion was provided by the Presbyterian choir composed of six ladies and five gentlemen under the capable leadership of the organist, Miss Winifred Newbaker. Several fine selections were rendered including a beautiful anthem.

The address of the evening was delivered by Rev. Arthur H. Ewing, of India, subject, "The Campaign in India." The speaker told a forceful story of the conditions as they exist there and made an urgent appeal for more liberal aid. A liberal collection for the expenses of the convention was taken up, after which the benediction was pronounced by Dr. Laurie and the meeting adjourned. After the adjournment a very pleasant social half hour with the visiting delegates was passed in the chapel parlors.

Thursday morning's session was called to order promptly at 9 o'clock by the President, Miss Lowrie. Scripture reading and prayer followed after which the Secretary, Mrs. M. H. Wilson, of Bellefonte, read her annual report. This was followed by the reading of the report of the Treasurer, Miss S. D. Morrow, of Tyrone. These reports showed the society to be in a flourishing condition. Last year they contributed to foreign missions the sum of $4,806.34.

The Secretary of Literature, Miss L Blanche Miller, of Tyrone, then read an interesting paper on "Our Literature." "Conference on Our Work" was then conducted by Mrs. M. W. Thompson, after which an interesting address was made by Rev. Arthur H. Ewing. Then came adjournment until afternoon.

The closing session of the 25th annual convention of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Huntingdon Presbytery was held Thursday afternoon and marked the successful ending of one of the most interesting conventions ever held by this society. All the meetings were well attended and proved most interesting.

The afternoon exercises were called to order at 1:45 by the president and were devoted to the appropriate observance of the quarto centennial. Mrs. J. M. Dorris of Huntingdon told of the "Early Days as Treasurer," and Mrs. C. W. Steward, of Spruce Creek spoke on the topic "Hitherto Hath the Lord helped us." Mrs. N. D. Orbison, of Bellefonte, in a talk on "God's Plan for Our Gifts and Giving" urged a more united and strenuous effort during the future in the interest of Missionary work and contributions for the cause. The annual thank offering lifted was quite large.

Interesting addresses were made by Mrs. J. L. Potter and Mrs. W. L. Vanneman, missionaries to Persia.

The young ladies who acted as ushers acquitted themselves nobly and deserve the thanks of those in attendance. They were Misses Blanche Hayes, Mary Blanchard, Elizabeth Musser, Bertha Laurie Caroline Orvis and Mary Hoy.

Tyrone was decided as the place for meeting next year, thereby preserving the custom of meeting in that place every tenth year, that has prevailed since 1881.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

President, Miss S. R. Lowrie, Warriorsmark; vice president-at-large, Mrs N. D. Orbison, Bellefonte. Vice presidents, Mrs. J. M. Dorris, Huntingdon; Mrs. James Harris, Bellefonte. Mrs. R. H. Shaw, Clearfield; Mrs. John I. Thompson, Lemont; Mrs. Wm. H. Woods, Huntingdon; Miss Annie M. Irvine, Hollidaysburg; Mrs. H M. Baldridge, Hollidaysburg; Mrs. J. C. Kelley, Williamsburg; Miss Sue F. Campbell, Rock Spring; Mrs. E. F. Derr. Bedford, Mrs. J. M. Waddell, Clearfield; Mrs. A. N. Raven, Mifflin; Mrs. Sarepta Barclay, Altoona; Mrs. Decker, Lewistown. Recording Sec'y. Mrs. M. H. Wilson, Bellefonte; Cor. Sec'y. Miss C. W. Stewart, Spruce Creek; secretaries of Young People's Societies and Bands, Miss Anna Fisher, Huntingdon, Miss Mary C. Speer, Huntingdon; secretary of literature Miss L. Blanche Millet, Tyrone; treasurer, Miss S. D. Morrow, Tyrone.

The following resolutions were adopted and the convention adjourned.

Resolved. That we acknowledge with gratitude the blessing of our Heavenly Father in allowing so many of us to meet in Bellefonte, which has not only the honor of being the mother of Governors but the higher honor of being the mother of Missionaries.

Resolved. That the members of the Society express their very sincere thanks to their faithful officers.

Resolved. That we desire to express to the ladies of Bellefonte our grateful appreciation of their hospitality and we trust it may be like the quality of mercy which is twice blessed. "It blesseth him that gives and him that takes."

Resolved. That we express our thanks to Mrs. Potter, Mrs. Vanneman, Mr. Mateer and Mr. Ewing for the inspiration of their presence and their stirring addresses.

Resolved. That we extend our very cordial thanks to the choir, to the organist, for the great pleasure afforded us by their very delightful music and to the young ladies who made such charming ushers.

Resolved We express our thanks to the R. R. Co., for their generosity in allowing us reduced rates and to all who have in any way contributed to the success of the meeting.

MISS ANNIE IRVINE,
MRS. DAVID T. NEELY,
MRS. J. M. BAILEY,
MRS. HORACE R. SMITH.
MISS ALICE IRVINE.

GENERAL BEAVER.

Chairman of the Soldiers Monument Committee in an Open Letter to the Public Reports the Progress of the Individual Subscriptions to the Monument Fund, Ex-Senator Quay and Dr. Roland G. Curtin Each Subscribe $100.

Mr. Editor:—

The first contribution to the Curtin Monument Fund, so far as I know, was made by Charles McCafferty December 24th, 1894, and was deposited the same day to the credit of "The Curtin Monument, Fund" in the First National Bank. It remained the only deposit to that fund until a few days ago, when I received from Mrs. R. Ferguson, Atchison, Kansas, one Dollar for the same purpose which has been deposited to the same fund. I have since received two contributions of one hundred dollars each.

The receipts to date, so far as they have come into my hands are as follows:

Charles McCafferty	$10.00
H. H. Benner	1.00
Mrs. R. Ferguson	1.00
Hon. M. S. Quay	100.00
Dr. R. C. Curtin	100.00

If there are any other contributions of a like character, I would be glad to know it, and it may be proper to say in this connection that the fund is open and that I shall be glad to acknowledge from time to time any contributions which may be made to it. The funds for the Soldiers' Monument and for the Curtin Memorial in connection with that monument are to be kept distinctly separate both in the minds of contributors and in the fund itself. Now that there is a solid foundation for both of these funds it is hoped that those who are interested in either will make their contributions promptly and liberally.

Very respectfully,
JAMES A. BEAVER.

Help... Nature

Babies and children need proper food, rarely ever medicine. If they do not thrive on their food something is wrong. They need a little help to get their digestive machinery working properly.

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will generally correct this difficulty.

If you will put from one-fourth to half a teaspoonful in baby's bottle three or four times a day you will soon see a marked improvement. For larger children, from half to a teaspoonful, according to age, dissolved in their milk, if you so desire, will very soon show its great nourishing power. If the mother's milk does not nourish the baby, she needs the emulsion. It will show an effect at once both upon mother and child.

50c. and $1.00, all druggists.
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Grew Suddenly Rich.

Wealth has come suddenly to Edward Schramyer, of Williamsport, who left his home a few years ago for the west with a few dollars. He is today worth $300,000. He secured work on a railroad being built through Idaho and the Dakotas, and managed to save $500, which he invested in mountain land near Dixie, Idaho. Prospectors have recently discoverd a big vein of coal on his land and soon after Schramyer was offered $260,000 for it. He declined and is now negotiating for machinery with which to develop the deposits.

Grain-O! Grain-O!

Remember that name when you want a delicious, appetizing, nourishing food drink to take the place of coffee. Sold by all grocers and liked by all who have used it. Grain-O made of pure grain, it aids digestion and strengthens the nerves. It is not a stimulant but a health builder and the children as well as the adults can drink it with great benefit. Costs about ¼ as much as coffee. 15c. and 25c. per package. Ask your grocer for Grain-O.

Their 12th Anniversary.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Will Conly entertained a party of friends at dinner Thursday evening at their home on West Logan street in honor of the 12th anniversary of their marriage. The event proved a most enjoyable social function and Mr. and Mrs. Conly were overwhelmed with congratulations by their friends present, who wished them many happy returns of their wedding day.

What's Your Face Worth?

Sometimes a fortune, but never, if you have a sallow complexion, a jaundiced look, moth patches and blotches on the skin, all signs of liver trouble. But Dr. King's New Life Pills give clear skin, rosy cheeks, rich complexion. Only 25 cents at F. Potts Green's drug store.

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—Some men wear loud clothes to drown the clamor of conscience when they dont pay their tailor bills.

Stopped the Sheep Stealing.

Claysville Recorder.

A farmer living on Big wheeling creek missed sheep on several occasions and decided to put a stop to it. He kept a careful watch and one night recently found three men with a team and wagon after his sheep. He pulled up his gun and fired at them. One of the party dropped, and was lifted into the wagon by his pals and hauled away. In a neighborhood not far away the funeral of a man who had died suddenly and under mysterious circumstances took place two or three days later. The Point Mills neighborhood people believe the man shot and the man who died so suddenly were one and the same. One thing is certain that there is much less thieving than there was a few weeks ago.

Specialists on the Case.

In the ordinary run of Medical practice a greater number than this have treated cases of chronic dyspepsia and have failed to cure—but Dr. Von Stan's Pineapple Tablets—(18 in a box at 10 cents cost)—have made the cure and put to rout the mistaken notion that proprietary remedies are trash, and may help but never fail. These little "specialists" have proven their real merit.—25.

For sale by F. Potts Green.

—The New York commissioner of the Bureau of Labor Statistics says in his annual report that the number of persons killed and injured in factories in the State last year was greater than those killed and injured in the Spanish-American war.

—The most unhappy woman in the world is the one with a secret that nobody wants to know.

New Excuse of the Fox.

From the New York Commercial Advertiser.

Once there was a wily old fox that was too fond of grapes, and one day, the New Year's of all the foxes, he swore off from eating this fruit lest his embonpoint increase beyond reason and he be called fatty, a term of derision. But his appetite for the luscious bunches grew too strong and he hied him to a grape arbor. A heavy bunch of grapes was hanging high up on the vine. He jumped and jumped, but but could not reach them. After he had exhausted himself to no purpose and he was sure he couldn't reach the grapes, he said: "No, I will not eat them. I made a resolution not to do so. What a virtuous fox I am." And he went off to tell his friends about his self denial.

Moral—Virtue is always a comforter when vice becomes impossible.

—Lock Haven is about to refund $6,000 of her school debt at 3½ per cent.

TREACHERY

A persistent cough is at first a friend, for it gives warning of the approach of a deadly enemy. Heed the warning before it is too late, before your lungs become inflamed, before the doctor says, "Consumption." When the danger signal first appears, help nature with

Ayer's Cherry Pectoral

Don't delay until your lungs are sore and your cold settled down deep in your chest. Kill the enemy before the deadly blow kills you. Cure your cough today.

One dose brings relief. A few doses make the cure complete.

Three sizes: 25c. for an ordinary cold; 50c. for the harder colds; $1.00 the most economical for older cases.

"I consider your Cherry Pectoral the best remedy for colds and coughs and all throat affections. I have used it for 30 years and it certainly beats them all."
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If you have any complaint whatever and desire the best medical advice you can possibly receive, write the doctor freely. You will receive a prompt reply, without cost. Address
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A Field Cornet's Philosophy.

London Mail.

I was present at a Kriegstraad, presided over by Gen. Joubert a few days after the battle of Modder Spruit, when Gen. White realized that his stay in Ladysmith might be prolonged. All the fighting generals, commandants and field cornets of the Boer force were present to discuss the situation. At that meeting an old field cornet predicted that England's supply of regular troops would soon be exhausted. "When England begins to send out the reserves, and also troops from her colonies, then our work in the field will strike home. These fellows they call Tommy Atkins are in the army to be killed; they get paid for it. What we want now are the fellows who have people at home who care for them, and will some day inquire what the war is being fought for. When we get at those soldiers who have homes like ourselves, then the war will begin to be fair, if it is simply fighting they want Look around you now," and the old fellow waved his hand over the crowd of burghers standing in front of the tent. "There is not a man there who has not a farm of a business and a family to protect. Some of these English officers have families. It is too bad, but they are the men whom we must kill. The rest only count in numbers."

WHAT ONE WOMAN THINKS.

The favorite flowers of lovers—tulips.

There isn't a grain of sense in some people's chaff.

Few men can pass a mirror without looking into it.

The best of Christians object to wearing holey clothes.

Variety is the spice of life, but some people make it the whole menu.

To understand human nature in general, you have only to study yourself.

Many a family quarrel would be soon patched up if woman would only hold her piece.

More than one man whois trying to get a proper understanding of the situation puts his foot in it.

The girl who marries a man to reform him finds out that what a man will not do for a woman before he marries her he will not do after.

—"Gentlemen of the jury," said a blundering counsel, in an action about some pigs, "there were just thirty-six hogs in that drove; please to remember that fact—just thirty-six hogs—just exactly three times as many as there are in that jury box, gentlemen." That counsel did not gain his case.

—Illinois with 228 federated women's clubs has more than any other state.

You Might as Well Try to Fly

without wings as to be well with sick kidneys.

If you have pain in the back, distress or fulness after eating, scanty or scalding urine, chills, pains in the loins, nervousness, sleeplessness, loss of vitality, swelling in limbs or body, or sediment in the urine, you had better take yourself in hand at once. Every day you delay, you are a step nearer the grave. Many grave stones should be labelled "Neglected Kidneys."

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"I used Morrow's Kid-ne-oids for kidney trouble which has troubled me for about a year. After I took them for a short time they relieved the dull distressing pain in my back which would be attended by sharp shooting pains just over the kidneys extending up the spine. Kid-ne-oids relieved me wonderfully."

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WILBUR F. HARRIS.

Local Department.

He wooed an Osceola girl severe;
But, sad to say, he got the mitten.
She whispered "No" into his ear;
Since then his ear has been frost bitten.

—Spring is in the air.

—Beautiful weather this.

—Are you going to flit this spring?

—The March lion is beleaguered in storm kop.

Women love a clear, healthy complexion. Pure blood makes it. Burdock Blood Bitters makes pure blood.

—Only a little over a month until the trout season opens.

A wheelman's tool bag isn't complete without a bottle of Dr. Thomas' Eclectric Oil. Heals cuts, bruises, stings, sprains. Monarch over pain.

—Spring poets will not get a chance to spring their poems yet awhile.

Every family should have its household medicine chest, and the first bottle in it should be Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup, nature's remedy for coughs and colds.

—The eclipse scheduled for Friday and which many papers have published long articles on, will not take place until May 29.

Itchiness of the skin, horrible plague. Most everybody afflicted in one way or another.' Only one safe, never failing cure—Doan's Ointment. At any drug store, 50 cents.

—The Milesburg borough council organized last Monday evening by electing J. Miles Green, Esq., president, and H. P. Haupt clerk. A. S. Smith was reappointed police officer. Other appointments were laid over.

—At Centre Hall Thursday, a recently purchased team ran away, upset the wagon and threw the owner, James Durst, to the ground. Mr. Durst was rendered unconscious and sustained a deep gash over the right eye and an ugly cut on the skull. His injuries are serious.

—Last Saturday at about noon William Anderson, the 12 year old son of Mac Anderson, of McCoys's works jumped on a passing freight train at Milesburg. He was standing on the bumpers of the caboose when his feet slipped and he was thrown off striking the ground heavily and sustaining several severe bruises. Fortunately no bones were broken.

—Mrs. Mary Pratt, widow of George Pratt died Monday morning at an early hou at her home at Spring Creek. Inflammation of the bowels was the direct cause of her death. She was aged 65 years and is mourned by five children, all daughters-Mrs. Daniel Showers of Buffalo, N. Y. Mrs. Samuel Thomas; Mrs. Jacob Jackson; Mrs. James Mackey and an unmarried daughter Josephine, all residing in this vicinity.

Rev. A. Z. Myers, Pastor of the First Baptist Church in Philipsburg and President of the Centre County Sunday Schools Association was a pleasant caller at this office while in town Tuesday. Mr. Myer was enroute to Lemont to participate in a district S. S. convention now in progress in that place.

—The latest news from the Philippines is to the effect that the 47th Regiment to which our Bellefonte boys belong is doing some fighting. The dispatch says:

"Twelve hundred well-armed insurgents, formerly of Cavite province, with a Chinese general in command, surround the towns of Albay and Legaspi. They have effected three night attacks and continually harrass the Forty-seventh regiment, which has lost eight men killed and twenty wounded in defending those towns."

—The Humane Society in Altoona is making it exceedingly warm for keepers of alleged disorderly houses in the Mountain City. The grievance is the harboring of minor females, and there is to be no let up, they say, until the practice is abandoned. Mrs. Sadie Darr, who on Saturday was cited before an alderman and fined $50 and costs, threatened to appeal to court, but she didn't. The money is in the hands of the society's treasurer and will be used to help along the good work the organization is engaged in.

—Deputy United States Marshall John Roe arrested John Fowler, alias John Cavanaugh at Ebensburg Friday, on a charge of robbing the postoffices at Hastings, Spangler and Barnesboro. The prisoner was brought to Altoona on Philadelphia express and taken before United States Commissioner, A. P. MacLeod, who held him in $1,000 bail for a hearing on March 23rd, at 1 o'clock in the afternoon. The crimes for which Fowler was arrested were committed in December, 1899, and were particularly bold. The postoffices were broken into shortly after closing hours and in all about $1, 000 was secured.

Look Out for Counterfeits.

Counterfeit silver dollars are again being circulated and business people in general are warned to examine all the coin taken in. The money is of the date of 1891 and is so perfect in the imitation that it can hardly be detected from the genuine, only that it has a smoother surface and the markings about the edge are not regular. They can be distinguished by the touch or by the ring if allowed to fall on a solid substance.

MONDAY NIGHT'S BLAZE.

A. G. Morris' Large Cooper Shop at the Armor Gap Kilns Burned to the Ground.

On Monday evening about 8:30 o'clock the citizens of Bellefonte who happened to be on the streets at that time were startled by seeing the sky north east of town suddenly light up with a lurid flame.

On investigation it was ascertained that the large cooper shop owned by A. G. Morris and located at the Armor Gap kiln was on fire.

The building which was quite large was built of wood and burned very rapidly. Its near proximity to the kilns and other valuable property gave rise to the fear that the fire would spread so the Logan Fire company was telephoned for and they at once hastened to the scene and by their efforts confined the flames to the Cooper shop.

The cooper shop was entirely destroyed together with its contents consisting of about one thousand barrels and material for making same. About twelve hands were employed at this work and they are necessarily thrown out of employment for the time being. The origin of the fire is a mystery that no one seems able to fathom. Loss between $1 000 and $1.500.

A STRANGE ACCIDENT.

Woman Badly Scalded at Scotia While Preparing Dinner.

A very strange and serious accident occurred at Scotia Friday in which Mrs. Stewart Heberling and her little daughter were badly scalded.

Mrs. Heberling was preparing dinner and had an air-tight pot of beans on cooking when suddenly the pot exploded and the scalding water was thrown all over her. The unfortunate woman's face, neck, arms and shoulders were terribly scalded. The little girl, who was standing near, was also badly scalded and suffered greatly.

Mrs. Heberling's condition is very precarious and fears are entertained that she may not recover. The ceiling of the room where the accident occurred looks as if a hail storm had struck it.

Laid to Rest.

The funeral of the late Matthew F. Riddle, one of the commissioners of Centre County, took place Sunday morning at 10:30 o'clock from the Lutheran church at Pleasant Gap. The services were conducted by Rev. George Lesher, of Boalsburg. The attendance was very large it being estimated that there were about one thousand people present. Several beautiful floral tributes were received, two of the most beautiful being from the board of County Commissioners and from the Gregg Post.

The pall-bearers were Capt. W. H. Fry, of Pine Grove Mill; Col Austin Curtin, of Roland; Gen. John I. Curtin, William Flack, W. H. Musser and Capt. Amos Mullen.

Interment took place in the Lutheran cemetery at Pleasant Gap.

Men Who Would Like to be County Commissioner.

The successor to the late Matthew F. Riddle as county commissioner is being discussed. The vacancy is to be filled by an appointment by the court and already several names have been suggested. Those who have announced themselves are Thomas Fisher, George Scholl, Coke Bell, Col. George A. Bayard, H. B. Pontius, Abe Miller, W. H. Musser, S. B. Miller, J. H. Olliger and John A. Wagner.

UNCLAIMED LETTER LIST.

The following letters remain in the Bellefonte P. O. uncalled for March 12th, 1900.

W. H. Andrews, F. H. Benner 2, Mrs. W. H. Fulton. Blanche Meyer, Margaret Powell, R. H. Selfridge.

When called for please say advertised.

W. W. Montgomery, P. M.

Centre Hill Store Property Sold.

The old Centre Hill store property belonging to the Strohm estate, consisting of residence and store building, was purchased by Alfred Lee, for $1,000. Mr. Lee will take possession about April 1, and continue the store.

—The strike at Salona has ended. The Bellefonte Lime Company has substituted other men for the employees who struck. Eight of the strikers returned to work at the old prices

—The Undine Steam Fire Engine Company will hold a grand Easter masquerade ball in the armory on Monday evening, April 16th. Great preparations are being made to make this the grandest event of the kind ever held by this company.

—Mrs. C. H. Mc Lain's Sunday school class assisted by Miss Mary Meek, Miss Rumbarger and others will give an entertainment in the lecture room of the Methodist Episcopal church on March 22, for the benefit of the Ladies Aid Society. Admission 10 cents. A cordial invitation to attend is extended to all.

—Rev. R. B. Hamlin, D. D., who has been located at Houtzdale for several years, at the coming session of the M. E. conference at Hazelton will retire from the active work of the ministry. For many years Dr. Hamlin has figured as one of the most eloquent men in the ministry, and there will be general regret over his retirement from active work.

PERSONAL PENCILINGS.

Mr. Ross Hickok, of Harrisburg, spent Sunday in Bellefonte.

Judge John G. Love is holding court in Hollidaysburg this week.

Mrs. John P. Harris Jr., of this place, is visiting friends in Tyrone.

Hon. John A. Woodward, of Howard transacted business in town Saturday.

John T. Mignot, of this place, is visiting his sister in Williamsport.

Mrs. Edward Cook, of Jeanette, is visiting her old home in this place.

Miss Hattie Hart has returned home from a visit to friends in Bloomsburg.

G. C. Woodring, of Port Matilda, transacted business in Bellefonte Monday.

Mrs. Wilbur T. Twitmire is lying very ill at her home on South Water street.

Assistant Postmaster Austin Brew returned home last week from a sojourn at Atlantic City.

Miss Jane Furst returned home last Friday from a visit to friends in Philadelphia.

Mrs. Barbara Rankin is visiting at the home of her son, Edmund B. Rankin in Harrisburg.

Miss Amanda Tome, of Jersey Shore, is visiting her sister. Mrs. Louisa Bush of South Spring street.

Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Crider left Saturday for an extended trip to the eastern coast of Florida.

Miss Anna Parker, of Somerset, is visiting her brother, G. Ross Parker and family of South Thomas street.

Mr. and Mrs. John Porter Lyon of Tyrone are visiting Mrs. Lyon's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Mitchell.

Ellis L. Orvis Esq., of the law firm of Orvis, Bower and Orvis, transacted business in Philipsburg Tuesday.

John T. Harris, manager of the Bell Telephone office at Philipsburg spent Sunday at his home in Bellefonte.

Mr. and Mrs. Michael Hess of Boalsburg are visiting at the home of Mrs. John Wagner on South Spring St.

Rev. Charles Morrison, of Sunbury, preached a Lenten sermon in St John's Episcopal church Tuesday evening.

Mr. Emil Joseph, of the firm of Joseph Bro. & Co., is transacting business in New York and Philadelphia this week.

Mrs. Austin O. Furst entertained a party of friends at dinner Thursday evening at her home on West Linn street.

Mr. Ed. C. Rowe and family expect to move to Sharon, Pa., where Mr. Rowe expects to open a large furniture store.

Rev. J. F. Moyer, of Altoona, preached the Lenten sermon last week in St John's Reformed church at this place.

Misses Maude Longee and Edith Ryan left Saturday for Howard where they will spend a week with the former's parents.

Mr. Harry Gehret, of East Howard street, returned home Saturday from a two weeks visit with friends at State College.

Miss Amber Parks, returned to her home at Tyrone, Monday after a very pleasant visit of one week with friends at Bellefonte.

Mr. John MacMurray of Altoona, was a guest over Sunday at the home of his cousin, Miss Kathryn Lieb, on Willowbank street.

Ex-Governor Hastings arrived home on Saturday night after an absence of two months from Bellefonte. The Ex-Governor has entirely recovered from his recent illness.

Mr. Amos Ward, the obliging clerk at Aiken's store, departed Friday afternoon for Stormstown, called there by the illness of his father.

Mr. W. H. Leitzell of Rebersburg, the artistic painter of that place, was a pleasant caller at this office Thursday while, on his way to Clearfield.

Willis Williams, son of Capt. S. H Williams of this place, returned home Saturday morning from St. Louis, Mo., where he has been working for the past year.

Mr. Andrew J. Tate, of Pine Grove Mills agent for the Bellefonte Central R. R. Co., at that place, has resigned and Mr. J. H. Ward has been appointed to succeed him.

Miss Henrietta Butts spent several days last week visiting her sister at Windber while her brother, Walter, of that place, was visiting his mother Mrs. Mary Butts a Bellefonte.

J. Will Kepler, of Pine Grove Mills, democratic candidate for legislature, was a Bellefonte visitor Saturday. He is a fine young man and is certainly giving his opponents for the nomination a big hustle.

Mr. Horace W. Orwig and his accomplished daughter, Miss Kathryn, of Hartleton, Union Co., were guests on Monday at the home of Mr. Samuel Lewin on Linn street.

James Conroy, manager of the Bellefonte Window Glass Company, departed Monday morning for Philadelphia. Mr. Conroy has been in bad health for some time past and his visit to the city is to consult a physician.

Mr. Edward Lucas, the efficient and accommodating clerk in Mr. Samuel Lewins clothing store, transacted business Tuesday in Penns Valley. He also attended the large sale of the late Wm. Kerr, at Centre Hill.

Ex-Governor Daniel H. Hastings was a Philipsburg visitor Tuesday.

Mrs. J. Fall Stover, of this place, is at present visiting friends at Philipsburg.

Sheriff Cyrus Brungart, of this place, spent Monday night in our neighboring town of Philipsburg.

Miss Sara Malin delightfully entertained a few of her young lady friends at her home on East Howard Street, Tuesday evening.

Miss Lorene Mattern, of Milesburg, after a very enjoyable three months' visit with her brothers in New York City, returned home Monday evening.

Miss Maud Irvin, of Baileyville, has returned to her home after a pleasant visit with her friends Miss Blanche Jacobs and Miss Lillie Gehret, of this place.

Miss Rilla Williams, the accomplished daughter of Capt. S. H. Williams, entertained the Junior class of the Bellefonte High school at her home on Reynolds Avenue Tuesday evening.

Mr. Clark of Montana, evidently agrees with Mr. Carnegie in thinking that it is a crime for a man to die rich. This explains why he has been distributing his wealth to needy legislators of his State.

Mrs. J. Elmer Campbell, of Linden Hall, attended the annual convention of the Woman's Foreign Missionary society of the Huntingdon Presbytery, at this place last week.

Miss Catherine Humes Allison, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Archibald Allison of North Allegheny street celebrated her fifth birthday anniversary at her parents home Wednesday afternoon with a party of her youthful friends and associates.

Cameron M. Stover, has returned home from a visit to friends in Tyrone. Cam, is "our devil" and a pretty observing young man. He says Tyrone is a one horse town and is not in it with Bellefonte. Things are simply dead up there according to his notions.

Prof. Roy Mattern, an instructor in a Brooklyn College but whose home is at Milesburg, Pa., will spend his summer vacation visiting the Paris Exposition and will also make a general tour of Europe making a special point of visiting Switzerland where his ancestors hail from.

Rev. George E. King, pastor of the Methodist church at Milesburg for the past five years, preached his farewell sermon on Sunday evening to an audience that filled the church to overflowing. He left for Hazleton Monday to attend conference. His people regret to see him leave as his pastorate has been a very successful one.

Miss Anna J. Valentine, daughter of Mrs. Reuben Valentine, who has just recovered from a severe attack of pneumonia, departed Wednesday morning for Augusta, Ga., in the private car "Octavia." She was accompanied by her sister, Caroline and a trained nurse. Mrs. M. H. Wilson, of Bellefonte, and Miss Sallie Norris, of Howard accompanied the Misses Valentine as far as Harrisburg.

Miss Mary Thomas is in Bellefonte superintending the removal of the family household goods and effects to Philadelphia in which city she and her mother will hereafter make their home. The Thomas family have for many years been among the most prominent and popular members of Bellefonte's social circles and their permanent departure from our little city is sincerely regretted by the multitude of friends and well wishers whom they leave behind.

The Soldier's Monument and Curtin Memorial.

The Soldiers monument movement is moving along very nicely. The fund now in sight includes the appropriation of $5,000 by the county; Centre County Veteran Club, $750; Gregg Post, $200; cash in bank, $227; a total of $6,177.

It is also believed that the Memorial day exercises held by the public schools will amount to $500 when all the districts are heard from.

In addition to the above there are other old pledges of G. A. R. posts and private individuals aggregating close to one thousand dollars, so that the total in sight is about $8,000.

During the past week representatives of the several firms of sculptors have been in Bellefonte to enter competition for furnishing a design for the monument. In order to get things into proper working shape a meeting of the general monument committee will be held in the very near future, when working sub-committees will be appointed, a treasurer selected, etc., with a view of speeding the work as rapidly as possible. So far nothing definite in the way of a design has been proposed or selected, but it will be a monument embodying features emblematic both of the part Centre county soldiers and Centre county sailors took in the wars of this country, the surmounting statue to be a life-sized figure of Ex-Governor Andrew G. Curtin. It is also likely the panels of the monument will be inscribed with either the names of the Centre county soldiers dead, or something suitable to their valor.

—Don't forget Mrs. H. C. Hollaway's Apron Fair which will be held in the Y. M. C. A. rooms this Thursday afternoon and evening. It will be a rare exhibit and one well worth attending.

—Some men are born thirsty, others acquire thirst, but few have drinks thrust upon them.

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DICKINSON WINS IN DEBATE.

Successful Against State in Discussion of Transvaal Question.

State College and Dickinson met in their third annual literary debate at State College Friday night and, after one of the fiercest discussions ever heard there Dickinson for the second time came off victorious.

The interest in Friday night's debate was the greater because each college had won one of the past two contests. The chapel was crowded to the doors. General James A. Beaver presided, and the Judges were Rev. George S. Chambers and John E. Fox, of Harrisburg, and Judge A. O. Furst, Bellefonte. The question discussed was:

"Resolved, that prior to the present war England was justified in her course of action towards the Transvaal Republic."

Dickinson defended the affirmative and State argued the negative. Dickinson's debaters were Caleb F. Burchinal, Boyd L. Spahr and Edmund J. Presby. State's men, all freshmen, were Willis H. Landis, Floyd H. Taylor and David B. Tuholski.

The judges' decision was rendered after only a few minutes' deliberation.

Rev. Dr. W. A. Stephens of the Bellefonte M. E. Church Concludes his Ministerial Duties in this Place.

Rev. Dr. W. A. Stephens pastor of the M. E. Church at Bellefonte left Tuesday for Hazelton to attend the Annual Central Pennsylvania Conference to be held in that city beginning on Wednesday of this week. Mrs. Stephens will visit with her son in Clearfield while the Dr is at conference. Sometime ago Dr. Stephens notified the official board of the Church that he would relinquish the pastorate here at the close of the present conference year and in accord with his intention he concluded his association with the congregation and church last Sunday. Dr. Stephens acceptably filled the pulpit of the Bellefonte Methodist Church for the past three years and his determination to sever the relations of pastor and people was received by the members of his congregation with deep regret and profound sorrow. The Dr. is a candidate for Presiding Elder of the Altoona District to succeed Dr. D. S. Monroe whose incumbency expires with this session of the annual conference. His future ministerial services will be such as the conference may direct whatever may be the duty to which he is assigned the Methodists of Bellefonte earnestly pray for an abundance of God's blessings to be vouchsafed him in his field of labor in the Masters vineyard.

—The real difference between men is energy. A strong will, a settled purpose, an invincible determination can accomplished almost anything; and in this lies the distinction between great men.

—Ridgeway now has free delivery, and Clearfield expects it by July 1st.

—If April showers bring May flowers do March breezes bring April sneezes?

CENSUS TAKERS.

Blanks Being Sent to Applicants by the Supervisor.

All persons who desire to become eligible for appointment as census enumerators will be required, under the rules of the census department, to pass a rigid examination. Blanks for this examination were sent out a few days ago by M. H. Stebbins, of Wellsboro, who is the supervisor for this district, to all applicants for appointment as enumerators. Their answers will be received by Supervisor Stebbins and subsequently filed with the department at Washington. After they have been passed upon the eligible list will be returned to Mr. Stebbins and from this list he will make his appointments.

Mr. Stebbins stated that some of the answers have already been returned. All of them, with one exception, show a great percentage of errors, many who are marked first-class in penmanship, spelling and grammar, making numerous errors in filling up the schedule. The answers of one of the applicants were all correct with one exception.

Mr. Stebbins was in Harrisburg recently and attended a meeting of the supervisors of the state, who received instruction from Frederick H. Weiner, assistant director of the census. Mr. Weiner instructed the supervisors how the census is to be taken and urged upon them the importance of having the enumerators do their work thoroughly.—Lock Haven Democrat.

The above will prove of intereet to those in Centre County who are aspirants for the position of enumerators for the county. It will be seen that only thoroughly capable and efficient men stand a chance for appointment.

Evangelical Services at Milesburg.

Dr. John Feltwell, Mrs. Feltwell and Miss Annie Hartman of Altoona have been working faithfully the past two weeks in Evangelistic services in Milesburg Baptist church, Pastor E. C. Hauck.

Some sixty persons have made professions of faith in Christ. A peculiar feature of the work is the large number of men reached, some of them past fifty years of age. The Dr. uses his "Dispensational Chart" and many christians who hitherto gave little attention to the Second Coming of the Lord are much interested. Dr. Feltwell is a firm believer in the Triune God as revealed by the Holy Spirit in the Bible. The Sunday afternoon meetings for *Men only* are largely attended and are accomplishing great good.

Almost every day or evening from three to ten Souls Confess Christ. The meeting will continue until the Lords time for closing them is manifest.

Pastor E. C. HOUCK.

—Lots of men gain reputations for wisdom when they simply have sense enough to keep their mouths shut.

—A man never fully realizes what a hard world this is until he steps on a banana skin and lands head first on the side walk.